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BISHOP CALDWELL SPEAKS

TO LARGE NUMBER OF GUESTS AT RECEPTION

PAYS COMPLIMENT TO SCHOOL SYSTEM

Addresses Made by Prof. Perry And Others—Cubs Will Play First Game Sunday—Negroes Taking the Census.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Special.—"Get rid of the trucklers, cringers and unmanly men," was the tenor of the address delivered by Bishop C. S. Caldwell, of Philadelphia, who was the principal speaker at a recpetion given in his honor by the members of the Thirteenth Street and Broadway A. M. E. Zion church, Wednesday night, March 23.

Although the bishop had been around the Falls cities for several days delivering addresses to churches in his circuit and had performed a great deal of work incumbent on said officer, he was in the best of condition and spoke earnestly and eloquently. He seemed to know some of the conditions of the city for he took occasion to urge the Negroes to have more manliness, exert more loyalty to racial enterprises and he exhorted his hearers to follow only true leaders. Previous to the Bishop's address there were a number of speeches delivered by professional men and they gave the speaker a splendid opportunity to augment his address.

Among the things he said: "Louisville sione of the exceptional cities in this country that has a splendid school system for the colored people. I recall that when I was in school, I met a graduate of the public schools of this city in the person of Prof. B. A. Johnson. He was one of the best equipped men of the institution and reflected great credit upon the public schools of this city. I am a great friend to all institutions. I do not decry the industrial education but I do not think that one should suffer at the expense of the other.

"I want to see our people go through all the schools. We need both the higher and industrial education. We need leaders who are intelligent and well trained, men who can see beyond and point the way. In the city of Louisville you have a poet. This is a sign of progress. I could name you hundreds upon hundreds of successful professional men, but time forbids.

"My friends," said the bishop, "Let me make a few suggestions. We need a true sense of our relation to God and our fellowman. We are too indifferent to one another, we are going money mad, becoming more worldly, we are following the gods of the world and not paying the proper homage to the God of Our Fathers.

"We need race love," declared the bishop. Continuing, he said, "If we had more race love there would be more business enterprises in this city, young men and women that have graduated from your schools could be given employment. If you had faith in one another, on tomorrow you could organize a bank and operate it as is being done in other sections of the South."

The bishop spoke several minutes along these lines and made a most eloquent appeal for strong, manly men. He said, "We need true leadership, not ambitious leadership that destroys. There are too many fakers. You need to weed them out. All of us must help put him out. There are too many trucklers and cringers who cringe and bow to the white man. The world demands men. Everybody likes true manly men. We want manhood placed on a high plane and true leaders and true followers."

Bishop Caldwell paid a compliemnt to the people of Louisville and the splendid work that is being done in the schools and left the impression that it would be a detriment to the colored citizens to have one kind of education at the sacrifice of the other.

Prof. W. H. Perry, principal of the Western School, delivered a brilliant and able welcome address as did C. H. Bullock, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Prof. Joseph Cotter, principal of the Eighth and Kentucky street schools, read a poem on the 100th anniversary of "Mother Zion."

A very thoughtful address was delivered by Hon. W. L. Ricks, on the "Church Losing Its Influence in Community Life." The tenor of his address was that the church had not kept pace with modern movements and its leadership was waning.

Dr. P. R. Peters acted as master of ceremonies and a short speech was delivered by the Rev. Gorham, pastor of the church. After the addresses, the bishop was given a reception and a fine collation was served.

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The Young Men's Progressive League will give a dance early in April.

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Miss Burroughs is expected in the city this week from Washington, D. C.

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Misses Lula and Lucy Flint have returned to the city from Cleveland, Ohio.

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Miss Maggie Wafford is in the city of Lexington on a visit. On her return she will stop at Frankfort.

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Over a dozen Negroes have been appointed by the Commissioner of the United States Census for the city of Louisville.

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Clark Brothers and Elmore Taylor have signed contracts to join S. H. Dudley's Southern Amusement Company. They will leave in the middle of April for rehearsal.

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Miss Julia Young, editor of the Kentucky Standard, is in the city of Maysville, attending the M. E. Conference. She will visit Paris and Frankfort before returning home.

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Charles Steward, the well-known news writer, will attend the World's Missionary Conference at Edinburgh, Scotland. He is one of the best news writers in this country, and is well connected. Twenty-five ministers of the Baptist denomination will attend the conference, which will be held in June.

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Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore was in Frankfort Sunday to deliver the annual Pythian anniversary address. Dr. Lattimore is being prominently mentioned as Grand Medical Examiner of the Pythians of the State.

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Mr. Tom Cole has sold his business to Mr. B. F. Broyles. Mr. Cole will take a rest for several months. His new building, "The Harriet," is completed, and by the first of the month the building will be occupied.

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Mr. Timothy Masterson, father of Timothy Masterson, of the postoffice, is reported to have died in California. He is the father of Misses Katie, Mayme and Nannie Masterson, teachers of the public schools of this city.

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Mrs. Ida Woodson, daughter of Mrs. Cross, of West Madison street, left Wednesday morning for Chicago, then to California to join her husband. Mrs. Woodson has been visiting in this city for two months, and her stay has been most delightful.

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The Cubs will have their first game of baseball on Sunday, April 2. The Freeman will be on sale at the park by Jesse Palmer, the Freeman agent. All the sporting news of the day will be chronicled in The Freeman. Get a copy and keep up with the sport.

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The Rev. Leroy Ferguson, pastor of the Episcopal Church of Our Merciful Savior, returned to the city last Friday from the East, where he has been for thirty days in the interest of the Bishop Dudley Memorial. He reports a most successful trip. While in Boston he addressed the Boston Literary Society, of which Editor Trotter is president.

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Mr. W. H. Parker, of the Columbia, has called attention of the Local Negro Business League to its inactivity. It is certainly time to elect a new president and get down to business. The election of officers is past due. The members should not wait until a few days before the National meeting in New York before they have another meeting. Let them elect Mr. William H. Steward or some other good man and have the League in good working order, a thing which has not been since the death of the late John S. Hopson.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

The funeral services of Mrs. Ray were held at the residence of Dr. Schooley, the Rev. Williams, of Brown's Chapel, officiating in the absence of Dr. Gee....There was quite a large attendance at the ordination services of Mr. Jos. Whalen, at Union Baptist Church on Friday night....The dedication of the new Bethel Baptist Church took place on Sunday afternoon. The pastor, Rev. Gray, is to be complimented on account of his untiring efforts to build the new edifice....Mrs. Anna Rankin assisted the choir of Mt. Zion Church on Sunday....Both the managers of the moving picture shows deserve the respect of the theater going class of people. They have decent, respectable places, worthy of the race....Mrs. Emma Lee Smothers came from Chicago last Saturday morning to attend the marriage of her daughter, Miss Blanche, to Mr. Ivy, of Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Ivy will reside in Hamilton, where they have fitted up a beautiful home....The K. of P.'s anniversary services were very largely attended on Sunday afternoon at Park Street Church. The sermon was delivered by Rev. T. L. Ferguson. Mrs. Hugh Carr, Miss Lucy Sheppard and Prof. H. T. Jackson were the soloists....The choir at Zion Baptist Church rendered the beautiful oratorio entitled "The Nazarene" on Sunday evening. The choir at Park Street Church rendered "Priest and King"....The Imperial Quartet attended the opera of "Il Trovatore" on Monday evening....Park Street members cast a unanimous vote for the return of Rev. T. L. Ferguson.

DURHAM, N. C.

Special to The Freeman.

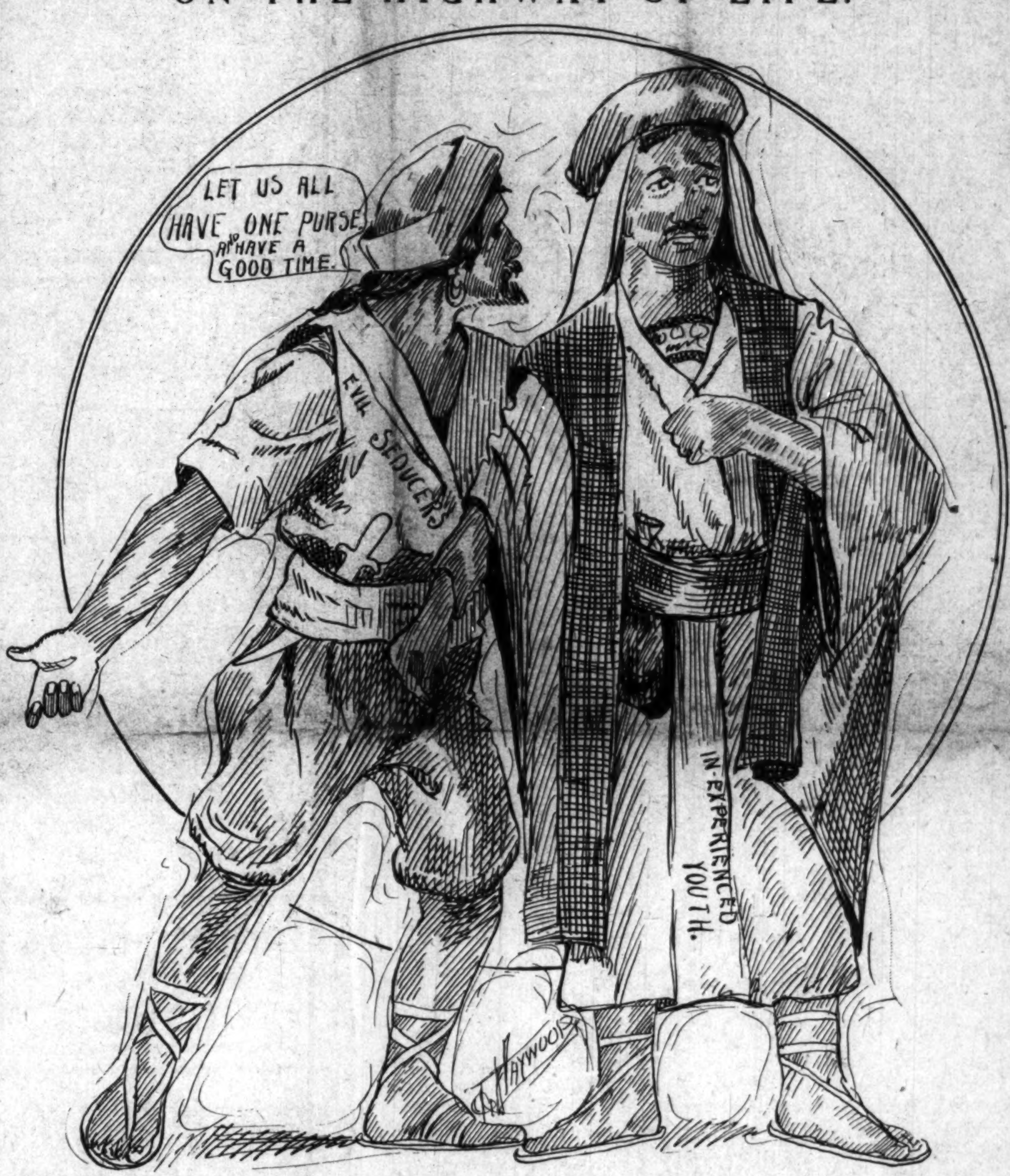
The Summer School and Assembly of the National Religious Training School will open at Durham, N. C., July 5 and continue until August 14. This Assembly is especially appealing to ministers. Rev. Jesse L. Hurlbut, D. D., will deliver two lectures daily from July 7 to 14. Dr. Hurlbut is regarded as one of the really great authorities on the Bible, and it is well worth going miles to hear him. Pastors' conference will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Gilbert, of New York City, and Bishop Clinton, of Charlotte, N. C. This will be another attraction. Study classes will be conducted by Dr. John E. Ford, Archdeacon W. George Avant, Rev. E. H .Hunter and Dr. D. Webster Davis. All of these lectures will be rare treats. A special rate has been arranged for ministers. For application blanks and rates write the president, James E. Shepard, Durham, N. C. Miss Grace Hemingway, one of the foremost child story tellers, will conduct a children's hour from July 12 to 17. Miss Laura Faucette, of Pittsburg, Pa., will have charge of the domestic science department, assisted by Miss Katie Davis, of Tuskegee. If you want to learn dressmaking, how to make baskets, mats, etc., attend the summer school at Durham in July. If you want to tent out for a few weeks and at the same time be benefited in body and mind, write the Natinal Religious Training School, Durham, N. C., and tell them what you want. Their summer school opens in July, and such things will be provided.

IRONTON, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman:

Mrs. Sophia Redman is dangerously ill at her home on Eighth Street....The Broadway Embroidery Club was entertained by Mrs. C. L. Banks Thursday afternoon. Light refreshments were served....Rev. Boswell is conducting a two weeks' revival at Tried Stone Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Thompkins, of St. Louis....Mr. Curtis Brown and Miss Seba Smith were married on last Monday night by Rev. O. P. Wright....Miss Flossie Jones and Mrs. Mary Exum were appointed as census enumerators in precinct A and B....The K. of P. had their annual Thanksgiving sermon preached on Easter Sunday afternoon at Tried Stone Baptist Church by Rev. H. P. Boswell....Richard Brooks is able to be out again after several days' illness....Miss Blanche Bryant continues quite ill at her home on South Ninth street....Morris Reynolds has returned home from Chicago, Ill.....Ellsworth Leftridge made a trip to Manchester last Sunday on business....Mrs. Mary Exum left Sunday for Institute, W. Va., where she will enter the institute and take a post graduate course....Miss Angus Reynolds, who recently passed the civil service examination for trained nurses, has been offered a position in Agency Whitearth, Minn.....C. R. James is able to be out again at his place of business after three weeks' illness.

ON THE HIGHWAY OF LIFE.


LET US ALL HAVE ONE PURSE AND HAVE A GOOD TIME.
EVIL SEDUCERS
IN-EXPERIENCED YOUTH.
HAYWOOD

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Special to The Freeman.

The several K. of P. Lodges and Calanthian Courts held their annual sermon at the First Baptist Church Sunday evening....Miss aZnthia Clark was given a pretty little birthday party by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Clark, on last Monday evening....The friends of the Old Folks' Home are preparing to give a grand benefit at the Odeon for that institution....Master Henry Thornton, Jr., the little son of Mr. Henry Thornton, is critically ill....The Central aBptist Literary Society will reopen with a grand free reception Monday evening....Rev. Gaines, pastor of Big ionZ A. M. E. Church, will open a series of revival meetings for Rev. J. A. Chanley, pastor of Quinn Chapel, on Wednesday evening....Easter Sunday was set aside as Rally Day at Union Memorial Church, the proceeds to go towards purchasing a parsonage.

DELHI, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

The Easter exercises at the C. M. E. Church was an elegant affair. Solos, recitations and short addresses were the main part of the program. Superintendent R. W. Wilson gave an interesting talk, followed by Arthur Johnson, Rev. Fields and Miss Cornelia Jones, teachers. After the presentation of Easter presents the pastor, Rev. Williams, gave encouraging remarks for the future work in the Sabbath School....The B. Y. P. U. will hold a literary program and reunion the fourth Sunday in April at the Rev. Geo. Lewis' church....Mr. Clarence Foster was the guest of Mrs. Lula and Susie Foster at Delhi Sunday and was also present at the B. Y. P. U. and gave a short talk....Mr. Allen Bush has purchased two lots adjoining his property on Lincoln avenue....Mr. and Mrs. D. Wilson entertained Sunday during the day Miss Normon Robinson, of Walnut Hills....Leave your items at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Murphy on Washington avenue....The Freeman agent will have headquarters when in Delhi at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Murphy, on Washington avenue. All news items left at that place will receive prompt attention. Subscribe for The Freeman....Rev. George Lewis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of this place, was ordained to all the rights pertaining to the ministry on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. at the Antioch Baptist Church, Cincinnati, of which the well-known Rev. G. W. Wyatt is pastor....Rev. J. H. Jackson, pastor of the Avondale First Baptist Church, preached the ordination sermon, assisted by the Rev. Bushel, of the Thirteenth Street Church, Covington, Ky. Eloquent theological oratory followed and the meeting was one long to be remembered. Rev. Geo. Lewis was presented with a beautiful Bible by the Rev. R. D. Phillips, of the Cummingsville Church. Those present to participate in the ceremony were Rev. C. M. Thomas, B. D., Rev. G. W. Wyatt, D. D., Rev. Walker, D. D., Rev. Jones, of Chicago, Rev. Gray, Rev. Bush, Rev. Toliver, Rev. McWilliams. Rev. Williams is above reproach and has a clean record as a minister of the gospel and as a Christian gentleman.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Special to The Freeman:

Easter Sunday of 1910 was the greatest known in the history of Atlantic City. Prominent among the many seen on the boardwalk and at the hotels and cottages were: Mrs. Lawyer Carter, of Harrisburg; Mrs. Fowler and Miss Sterrit, of New York; Mrs. Robinson, of Williamsport, Pa.; Mrs. Hannah Lowe, of Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Edward Banton, Mrs. Wm. Almond, Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Sandridge, Mrs. J. C. Asbury, Mrs. Ferd Baxter, the Misses Dover, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harrison, all of Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Lester A. Walton, manager and dramatic editor of the New York Age, was among the many Easter callers.

DULUTH, MINN.

Special to The Freeman.

Amidst the fragrance of flowers and plants and surrounded by a host of friends, Miss Lucretia M. Watts, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Watts, of 915 East Sixth Street, was united in marriage to Mr. Fountain Maupins, of Palmyra, Mo., Thursday, March 24, at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jonathan Brewer, of St. Mark's A. M. E. Church. Mrs. R. E. McCullough played the wedding march and the bride was given away by her father. The bride's dress was of German val lace over a dark silk background. Mr. and Mrs. Maupins left at 11:10 p. m. for St. Paul for a short honeymoon, and will be at home to their many friends at First Avenue East and Fourth Street after April 1st. The popularity of this young couple was attested to by the many valuable presents tendered them by a host of admiring friends....There was a literary and musical program at St. Mark's A. M. E. Church Easter Sunday evening, March 27. Mr. George B. Kelley delivered an interesting address on "The Value of Friendship." The choir, under the direction of Prof. Harvey L. Pittman, rendered special music for the occasion....The local lodge K. of P. held a memorial service in their hall at 3 p. m. Sunday....Rev. E. G. Jackson, P. E., of the St. Paul District of the Iowa Conference of the A. M. E. Church, will be present Sunday afternoon and evening for the usual quarterly meeting services.

BONHAM, TEXAS.

Special to The Freeman.

The spelling bee last Wednesday night was a success. Mrs. V. A. White was the champion....Mrs. Elisa Adams had a narrow escape from being burned to death Monday night....Rev. Leak preached an able sermon Sunday night at the A. M. E. Church....Mrs. Bird Kimper and Miss Ophelia Blackman are in Dallas....Mr. Routhfus Nickels, of Mineral Wells, is in the city....Mrs. Sallie Liverston, of Muskogee, Okla., is in the city....Miss Stella Walker is in Denison.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

Rev. L. J. Green, of Florence, preached the annual sermon at the First Baptist Church Sunday at 2 p. m. for the K. of P. and Court of Calanthe. The program rendered was interesting and the service was enjoyed by a large audience....The Easter exercises at the A. M. E. Church were grand. An interesting program was rendered by the young ladies and men of the church. A large audience enjoyed the program and the occasion was a literary treat and a financial success....The C. M. E. Church presented an excellent Easter program Sunday evening. Rev. H. Black, the pastor, preached an able sermon at 7:30 p. m....Mr. Gawdy Allen spent a few days this week in Memphis, Tenn....Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Blair spent Sunday in Russellsville, Ala....Mr. Anderson Veasley, of Bessemer, Ala., and Miss Minnie Parker, of this city, will be married on April 10th, at the A. M. E. Church....The Freeman will be on sale at Will Johnson's barber shop on Furnace Hill.

LEXINGTON, MO.

Special to The Freeman.

The second sermon of Queen Ann's Court No. 4 was held at the Second Baptist Church Sunday evening....The concert given at the A. M. E. Church Friday night, March 25, by the scholars of the Douglass School was a success. Everything on the program was carried out successfully.

THE NEGRO AND THE LAW

UNCLE RAD KEES GIVES VIEWS ON THE SUBJECT

DOES NOT NEED SPECIAL LEGISLATION

Nor Exceptional Concessions for His Case—New York Judge Makes Peculiar Statement in Regard to Version of Law.

By Uncle Rad Kees.

That the American Negro believes in the American law, and by such law he becomes a law-abiding citizen, is strikingly indicative for the simple fact that he stands for more direct and indirect miscarriages of such laws than any other people on the face of the globe.

As a matter of fact, he needs no special legislation to suit his condition, neither does he ask for any exceptional concessions to fit his case. He only knows and believes that the laws are made to govern all classes, matters not whether he be black, white, red or blue, and he is certainly right in such a belief.

What difference should it make whether a Negro is represented by a white lawyer or a colored lawyer, by a friend of a judge or by an enemy of a jury. If he is right, he is right, and if he is wrong he is wrong, and that's all there is to it. One Justice Dugro, a justice of the Supreme Court in New York, has said that "a Negro arrested unjustly does not suffer as much damage and humiliation as a white man, ordinarily."

Holding that "the fact that he is colored must be considered in assessing damages." The case was that of a colored man against a white man for false imprisonment and malicious prosecution, the colored man alleging that the white man had him arrested on a charge of petit larceny, and after being arrested was taken before a very competent and able judge and dismissed on the ground that he was innocent. The colored man naturally sued, demanding $10,000 damages.

The case eventually came up for trial before Justice Dugro and a jury of twelve American citizens, who awarded the colored man a verdict of $2,500. What did Dugro do? He set aside the verdict as excessive, saying: "No such verdict would stand. The man was earning less than a dollar a day; his loss of wages was, therefore, only two or three dollars." Continuing, he said: "He was a colored man, and *while you had no right to weigh him differently from any other man on that account, you must consider men.*"

Whatever he means by this is up to your smart lawyers and leaders to find out, and the Negro press and pulpit should rise en mass and demand further explanation, not only on this, but on all matters where racial interests are concerned, and most particularly so when such deliberate and most conspicuous miscarriages of justice are rampant.

You should begin at once, and for all times, to put down that spirit of any prejudicial court who may so forget itself as to step outside of the law in its frantic desire to deal you a telling blow and thereby debauch, humiliate and otherwise place the entire Negro race on record as being the literal inferior of all other races.

He virtually admits in one breath that the law as laid down makes no difference as to creed or color, yet in the next breath he tells the jury, *"you must consider men."*

In other words, to hell with the law when it comes to a Negro!

Still, when you take the law into your own hands and resort to physical violence as a means of at least personal satisfaction, as was the case of Jack Johnson, you will find another justice telling you *there's a law in this country and the law must not be trifled with.*

This judge is right, and if he is right then the other justice is wrong, and the sole question for the Negro to consider is, which does the most injury, the *right wronged* or the *wrong righted?* The sooner you come together and make up your minds to combat one of these two evils the better you have paved the path of the possible future of your coming generation. The Negro race has shown itself to be as brave a people as have ever stepped upon the face of the globe when it comes to his defense of the rights of others, and a bigger coward never breathed then he when it comes to his own defense.

And I can cite but one substantial incident where the Negro ever laid down his own life in self-defense, and that was when your forefathers stepped out of slavery into the ranks of a Union army without knowing "A" from "B," shouldered a musket and obeyed the commands, lived up to the general discipline of colonels, majors, lieutenants and captains who had spent years and years in military training at West Point and other academies, and proved himself the equal of any soldier the world has ever known, that you might enjoy at least what was then promised to them, namely, protection and equal rights, under the laws of this, YOUR COUNTRY.

They have told you of a so-called *"Negro Problem,"* and have discussed pro and con its various phases, when as a matter of fact, there is no such thing as a Negro problem any more than any other problem. Neither is there a material consideration of social equality, for each will work out its own destiny in time, irrespective and regardless.

But ther is a most dangerous legal misunderstanding between the Negro as against all other races, and it should matter little to you what the cost for your satisfactory understanding on this most vital point is certainly worth the price, especially if you intend remaining in this

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

Show Your Spunk.

There never was a quitter but who
blamed the world at large—
Who couldn't find a lame excuse for
any sort of charge—
Who ever owned up to the truth—that
he was all to blame,
Instead of realizing that he'd simply
quit the game.
Men who achieve will never stop so
long as there's a chance.
You can't defeat 'em with a blow—
with jeer or sneering glance.
They're right at start—they're right at
heart—and fight through to the
finish;
No matter what befalls them, grit nor
courage will diminish.
Stop sniveling and driveling and crawl
from out your funk,
Start in and grow a spine—chirk up
and show a little spunk;
Erase despair from off your face—
clear doubt out of your soul;
So long as you have health, you've
wealth—you still are sound and
whole.

—Detroit News.

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Kick—if things don't go right!

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The New York Age is—or was—"on its muscle."

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"Remember Brownsville" has faded into an echo.

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That Cannon wasn't exactly "fired," but it was unloaded.

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There is nothing wrong about being an "insurgent" when you are right.

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The colored Americans have taken "Teddy" back to their hearts again.

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It will be a cold day when they "put the Tuskegee Wizard out of business."

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No Negro ever attained true greatness by the "social snobbishness" route.

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Tuskegee Institute's moving pictures are a big hit. They speak for themselves.

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Ex-Senator James Gordon is a fine example of the Southerner of the better sort.

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If you've ever committed an indiscretion and forgotten about it, just run for office.

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Send for a copy of Hon. E. L. Taylor's speech on the Semi-Centennial Exposition.

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Washington is a pleasant place to visit in the springtime. Watch the political register!

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The Lyon that Bwana Tumbo sent to Africa will be permitted by President Taft to remain.

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This is the age of the "acid test" in every department of life. Everybody is "from Missouri."

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Only fools brag about the amount of money they have and the importance of the job they happen to hold.

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The mother of the late Paul Laurence Dunbar, now living at Dayton, O., may bake her home in Chicago.

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The Mississippi stomach is pretty tough, but it couldn't stand for Jim Vardaman as United States Senator.

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Sheriff Shipp has returned to the obscurity from which the Ed Johnson-Supreme Court episode temporarily rescued him. Vale!

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When you cannot work with a certain group of individuals, don't quit working. Walk out and organize a camp of your own.

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Indiana, Illinois and Ohio are looking on anxious as the South devours the patronage apple, wondering if there's going to be any "core."

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That namesake of ours in Minneapolis, Minn.—one R. W. Thompson—has made no effort to claim kinship with us. He doesn't need anything.

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There isn't any moral difference between stealing the brain product or the credit for services rendered by another and in picking his pocket.

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Far-seeing white politicians like to do business with Negroes whose broad-gauged ideas have developed for them a following among their own people.

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Write a man "up," and you don't hear even a "Thank you" from him. Write him "down," and he will raise—but we don't use that kind of language.

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"Our little systems have their day. They have their day, and then they cease to be." The "Black Cabinet" at Washington—that was—is said to be no more.

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Senator Leroy Percy, of Mississippi, has a job cut out for himself to maintain the record made by his illustrious Negro predecessors, H. R. Revels and B. K. Bruce.

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John C. Dancy is now mentioned for the presidency of Livingstone College, which would probably mean the elevation of Dr. W. H. Goler to the Zion Bench of Bishops.

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The Negro soldiers at Fort Ethan Allen, Fort Lawton, Fort D. A. Russell and Madison Barracks are doing none of the desperate things their enemies hoped they would do.

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The marvelous reports sent out from Liberia by the secretary of legation, George W. Ellis, ought not to be less spectacular when we call to mind that he is to be succeeded by a "Bundy."

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It might have been a pessimist who sent around the wail that the man who is lucky enough to be born without any poor relations doesn't know any better than to go and marry some.

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President Taft deserves the thanks of the race for the strong support he is giving the 1913 exposition, the plan to reimburse the Freedmen's Bank depositors and the rehabilitation of Liberia.

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The thunderous noises heard last week were not caused by the approach of the vernal equinox. It was the launching of the boom of J. C. Asbury for grand master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows.

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Thanks, good friends of the press fraternity, for gracious mention of your humble servant for commissioner to lay plans for the proposed semi-centennial exposition. Should we be so honored—but that's another story.

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No one is nursing a grudge against President Taft for recruiting the famous "Bread-and-Butter Brigade"—the troops de luxe that have been causing Brother W. M. Trotter and Sister Julia Sohmers Young to lie awake of nights.

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Will resourceful America, as the great international "melting pot," in which are being fused the Celt, German, Scandinavian, Slav, Latin, Greek and Oriental bloods, permit the Negro alone to escape the tremendous force of racial absorption?

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The shortsighted cult which finds such keen satisfaction in sneering at Negro newspapers should not overlook the fact that many of them would never have been heard of had it not been for th advertisement furnished by the despised Negro editor or Negro correspondent.

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It is the plain duty of every Negro in the land to help moid sentiment in favor of the semi-centennial exposition of racial progress; also to pull for the reimbursement of the Freedmen's Bank depositors. Both of these measures means big things for the Negro people.

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Editor J. H. Murphy, of the Baltimore Afro-American Ledger, "blue-pencils" our suggestion that he be the guest of honor at the next big banquet to be "pulled off" in the Monumental City. It takes a real newspaper man to disdain laurels that "leaders" seek for with an eagerness that passeth all understanding.

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Booker T. Washington has never been a "political dictator," nor has he ever tried to be. When presidents or other officials have asked his opinion of men and measures, he has given it without hesitation or equivocation; but there is not a single instance on record where he has "butted in" to accomplish any selfish end. Put that in your pipe and smoke it!

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The plan of the National Negro Bankers' Association, the press, the bar and the undertakers' organizations, to meet in New York a day ahead of their parent body—the National Negro Business League—is generally approved by the country at large. These group organizations will do much to crystallize into results the inspiration generated by the major league.

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Noah D. Thompson, of Chicago, is at Tuskegee Institute, "studying types." Mr. Thompson is "left-hand supporter" to the "Wizard," balancing off Emmett J. Scott, holding up the right hand. Besides discharging responsible duties in connection with the United States Express Company in Chicago, Mr. Thompson is a trained newspaper man, and has done some notable work on the Chicago dailies. He is Illinois member of the executive committee of the National Negro Press Association.

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The Washington Star's jokist gets off the following pertinent colloquy: "Your speech has brought you many congratulations." "Yes," replied the young statesman, "only I wish they would congratulate me more on the speech itself and less on my luck in getting a chance to deliver it." As this was perpetrated before Register W. T. Vernon delivered his famous Wilberforce Night speech, introducing President Taft, it cannot be said that that incident brought the idea to the writer's mind.

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The formation of the proposed new "outlaw" baseball league promises to open up a new field of profitable endeavor to the Negro. A corporation, to be styled the United States Baseball League Association, Incorporated, is to place clubs in Boston, Providence, Brooklyn, Newark, Paterson, Trenton, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and the announcement is made that the color barrier existing in all the other leagues will not be drawn. Three colored players have already been signed by each team. G. H. A. Lawson, of Wilmington, Del., is president of the new association. He deserves three cheers for the broad-gauged policy adopted.

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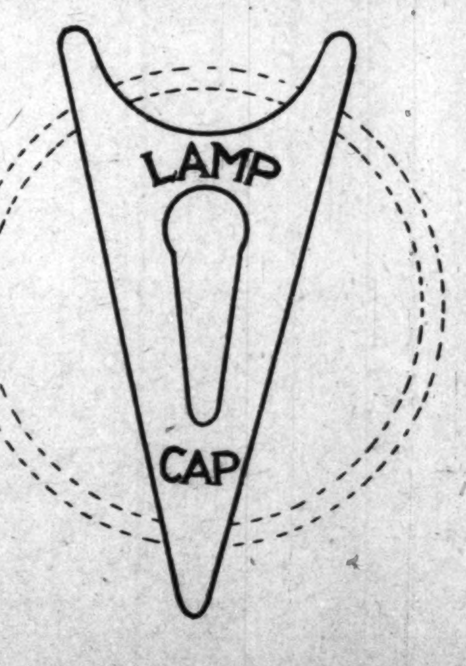

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Mr. Henry Lincoln Johnson, nominee for recorder of deeds, is a guest at the beautiful home of Prof. and Mrs. Charles M. Thomas and the Downes sisters, 1341 T street, N. W.

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The engagement of Miss Grace Campbell, formerly of the Washington public schools, and Assistant District Attorney W. Clarence McDougald, of New York, is announced.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell lectured on "The Bright Side of a Dark Subject" in New Haven, Conn., last week, and was tendered a charming reception by the citizens of Yaletown.

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The new tuberculosis clinic held interesting exercises last Friday at Howard University under the direction of Dr. W. A. Warfield, surgeon-in-chief of Freedmen's Hospital.

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Recent noteworthy weddings were Mr. S. W. Rutherford of this city and Miss Florrie Rebecca Simpson of Princeton, N. J.; Mr. James Waugh and Miss Katie J. West; Mr. Joseph W. Williamson and Miss Maggie Boone.

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Mr. Henry P. Slaughter, one of the hardest workers for Odd Fellowship in the country, is said to be the choice of the District Grand Lodge for membership on the sub-committee of management, to be selected by the B. M. C., which meets at Baltimore next September.

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Mr. T. Spencer Finley, the Hiawatha's favorite comedian, was principal entertainer last Saturday night at the New Willard Hotel, on the occasion of a feature banquet given by a number of New York and Washington capitalists. It goes without the saying that Mr. Finlay gave a satisfactory account of himself. He is one of the really great comedians of the Afro-American stage.

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Mr. Milton Chisolm, a bright young man, for years an efficient attache of the quartermaster-general's office, war department, has been transferred to the depot quartermaster's office at San Francisco, Cal. Before leaving Mr. Chisolm was tendered a farewell reception by his former official co-workers, and surprised everybody by leading to the altar Miss Mabel T. Scott, a charming young lady of this city.

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The Odd Fellows of the District of Columbia celebrated "Peter Ogden Day" in magnificent style last night. The platform exercises were held in the main auditorium of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, and the reception was given later at the Odd Fellows' Hall. The church was packed to its utmost capacity, and the program was of a high order of excellence. Addresses were delivered by Dr. I. N. Rose, Register W. T. Vernon, Judge M. W. Gibbs, Mr. Thomas H. Wright and Mrs. Mary A. Parker. This was the first formal observance of the birthday of the founder of Odd Fellowship in America held by the lodges of the District. Particulars next week.

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Dr. W. H. Davis is achieving a gratifying degree of success as principal of the Night Business High School. His pupils have stood by him throughout the school term and the classes this year are larger throughout than during any previous year at this period. Dr. Davis is an expert in shorthand, and has been instrumental in placing, advantageously, a large number of his most promising graduates. Dr. Davis is the official stenographer of the National Negro Business League, and has recently sent to the printers a comprehensive report of the proceedings of the convention of the league held at Louisville last August. It is a photographic reflex of one of the greatest meetings held by the race in this country, and has been highly commended by Dr. Booker T. Washington and Secretary E. J. Scott. In addition to his other activities, Dr. Davis is one of the most efficient stenographers in the office of the bureau of statistics, department of commerce and labor, and conducts a fine farm beyond Congress Heights.

R. W. THOMPSON.

EPHRAIM JOINED TO HIS IDOLS.

We have carefully perused the leading great dailies of the leading cities of the country to ascertain how many of them upheld President Taft's policies as thus far exhibited and promulgated. We failed to find one Republican, Democrat or Independent newspaper in agreement with the President; all dissent from his opinion; none seem prejudiced against him personally, and wished that he might see his way clear to break away from his "idols" set up by Messrs. Aldrich and Payne. None seem to regard the President a "wise master builder," and that he has done anything thus far to strengthen himself with his own party or to recommend him to the favorable consideration of either the Independents or luke-warm Democrats. While the party papers have been silent on the President's unconstitutional Negro policy, they have not interposed any objection to his elimination of the Negro from politics, or rather the holding of political jobs under the administration where white objectors appear, and the parceling out of those jobs to white Democrats. But a howl has at last been made to the bestowing of the honor of the office of surveyor of New York upon a Democrat to succeed James B. Clarkson, the present Republican incumbent. It does make a difference "whose ox is gored." This policy and the upholding of the Aldrich-Payne high tariff bill may cost the President and the Republican party a great price in the election next fall, and later the presidential election in 1913. Ephraim being joined so tightly to his idols that perhaps that will be the most effective way of separation. Watch our prediction. Here's the New York situation in a nutshell, as found in the Indianapolis News of February 22:

Washington, February 21.—Many New York Republicans are up in arms against the reported intention of President Taft to appoint Frederick H. Bugher, present acting police commissioner of New York City, and a Democrat, to the office of surveyor of the port of New York to succeed James S. Clarkson, whose term will expire in a short time.

Saturday Representative Bennet, of New York City, called at the White House and voiced to the President the opposition of the New York Republican Congressmen to the appointment. It is understood that for some time Senator Root has been trying to persuade the President to place Mr. Bugher, who is a nephew of John R. McLean and Admiral Dewey's wife, in the office of surveyor.

THREE MILLION DOLLARS NEEDED FOR TUSKEGEE'S ENDOWMENT FUND—AN APPEAL.

We, the undersigned, are glad to permit the use of our names in aiding the trustees and officers of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, of Tuskegee, Alabama, to secure a larger and more adequate endowment. We feel that the results accomplished by the Tuskegee School, not only in making the Negro more useful, but in the interest of the whole country, justify an appeal to the public that shall increase the endowment to a figure where the principal, Booker T. Washington, will not be compelled to spend so much of his time in the getting of money to meet the current expenses.

Without going into details at present, we wish to state that it is the aim and wish of the trustees at present to increase the endowment fund to three million dollars in the near future, and to secure $300,000 of this amount during the present school year. We are glad to add that a portion of the $300,000 has already been secured, and we earnestly hope that the remainder may be provided before June 1.

William H. Taft, President of the United States.

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Henry L. Higginson, of the firm of Lee, Higginson & Co., Boston.

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POETS AND POETRY.

It is really surprisingly pleasant to note the increasing number of rising, struggling poets that are springing up throughout the country, some of whom are very young. Few seem, however, to realize that poets, like editors, are born, not made, not flitting down, Pegasus-borne, from heaven, as the sublimity of their soaring strains would suggest. We have refused publishing some samples because we have discovered a great deal of borrowed material from recognized poets of national repute, the difference between which and the poet's own production is like "the difference between an uncut stone and an engraved gem." We herewith present samples that we think worth reading and the producers thereof worthy our encouragement.

THE FROST.

(By Wm. Todd, a 17-year-old boy.)

'Twas at the dawning of the day,
When the frost was far away,
It had enameled fields and highways
Before the glory of the day.

Every limb of the pine and hemlock
Were enamel too dear for an earl,
While the smallest twi gon the elm tree
Was covered with the frosty pearls.

Along the hillside over the lea
The frosty pearls were on the trees;
No more singing of the birds in the bowers,
But the whistling of wind in the reeds.

A SOLILOQUY ON LIFE.

By Emory E. Scott.
(By request, with apologies to The Sodalian, Wilberforce College.)

Frail, mortal man must surely die,
His bones commingle with the dust—
And wherefore, then, should he exist?
Or, prithee, tell me, what is life?
In some, the dwarfed brain of man
May reason thus: Since seldom man
Is just, and loyal confidence oft met
With base betrayal of the trusts
By friends committed to his care,
Then why possess this thing called life?
Earthly reward there's offered none,
And when old, hoary age creeps down
To stiffen limbs and ague bring,
Ofttimes there's not a meager crust
To banish hunger from the door;
Nor owns he of life's worldly goods
Enough to shield him from the rain,
But unprotected and forlorn
He wanders 'neath God's azure skies,
Despised, forsaken and forgot.
Yet neither doubt nor dark despair
Should him enshroud with gloomy cloak.

List rather to the words of seers
Who deem this fleeting life worth while—

Methinks there's not a man who spends
His life in living for self;
For in the breast of every man,
E'en though it's hidden by misuse,
There lies a smouldering spark of love
To help and cheer his fellow man,
Which, fanned by confidence and trust,
Will rise into a roaring flame
That burns with pious charity.
And hath not God ordained that man
Shall eke existence by his toil?
And, prithee, tell me, what is life
But sometimes joy—more often pain—
With ofttimes not a word of cheer
To rout the hated company
Of dull monotony and care?
And whose weak mortal eye, pray tell,
Hath gazed into unfathomed depths
Of knewledge in the great beyond,
And by its wondrous vision found
Why earth is fraught with pain and strife?
Exist not merely then; but live
For virtue and to do the right;
To goodness upward reach, and strive
God-like perfection to attain.

THE EVENING STAR.

(By S. W. Freeman.)

The brilliant sun with sullen pace
Glides slowly to the west;
Bids day adieu with ruddy face
And hides behind the crest.

Then Heaven's canopy, scarlet gold,
Tinged with rays of the orb,
Alternate with colors faint and bold,
And sometimes all absorbed.

The veil of twilight spreads afar
Over her vast domains;
The brilliant light of the evening star
Takes up her nightly reign.

Ah, fair sovereign of lustrous eve,
With twinkling guards of night,
With loyal rays they look to thee
And warn thee of day's flight.

No jewel so rare thy visage blur,
Thou, set of Heaven's wall,
Anon with rage thou cast one lured
By thy charms—he falls.

The break of day, the break of day,
Alas! has come again;
The earth is bathed in Oriental rays
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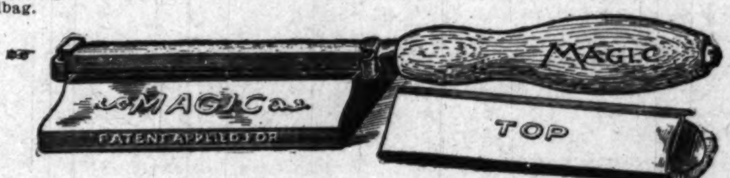

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FIVE THOUSAND MORE BY JUNE 25, 1910.

Here's what we will do to stimulate a country wide campaign for a greater Freeman. We want 5,000 new subscribers on our mailing list, and will give the following premiums to those who will help us to secure them. The premiums are as follows:

Premium 1. An Auto-Run-About for the highest over 700, providing we have four or more contestants. The total number in the aggregate shall number not less than 700, the Auto to go to the one sending in the highest number of that number (700).

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For this contest all communications bearing on it must be addressed to the managing editor, George L. Knox. Get busy!

What is an insurgent? Answer: "a rebel," and as applied to the Republican party means that there is a rebellion on against Tyranny, usurping of authority, machine dictation, and the controlling ruling, and influencing of the powers that be in the party by the moneyed interests and Trusts. Death to Cannonism! and to Negro Elimination! The storm of popular indignation is raging with renewed and irresistible fury against these wrongs as above recited. Everybody has heard from Massachusetts. "You can't fool all the people all the time."

There should be less talk of "white supremacy" of a right, etc., and less advising the race to knuckle to the laws of oppression and repression. What the Negro should be told is to rise up and fight for his rights, as a man, and never to submit to flunkyism. Don't be a lick-spittle or clam. Be a man! You have a right on earth and in heaven. Be a man—every inch a man! No compromise! "EVERY RIGHT WITH ALL THY MIGHT!"—Indianapolis Freeman.

There is nothing on earth that makes our blood boil any more than to hear some 2x4 darkies advising the Negro to knuckle to the laws of oppression. Knuckling only makes matters worse, or the same, and if knuckling made matters better, we don't much like the idea of stooping to conquer. The only reason that the Negro enjoys the limited privileges that are accorded him now, is because some few have had the courage and temerity to cover all the ground they stand upon. As for our part, we'd rather die a hero than to live a coward.—The Dallas (Tex.) Express.

You are right, Editor King, we are with you. Stand by your guns and keep your powder dry.

TYLER DEFENDS THE PRESIDENT

The good Book tells us "That words fitly spoken are like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Interspersed rightly would signify the word spoken at the proper time and in the right place. It is useless to disguise the fact that Ralph W. Tyler, of the Navy Department who has sent out a letter of defense of President Taft to nearly all the Negro newspapers showing himself in sympathy with the President's attitude on the Negro question or his Negro race policies as promulgated during the year just past. Words, words, entirely unbecoming and out of place considering the source from which they spring. Mr. Tyler, you will recall, is in the government employment from the President's own State, and naturally anxious to remain in that service, consequently not the man to advise the race to take the bitter pill of "race elimination," although sugar coated with promises to do in the near future, etc. We are a disinterested party and have nothing in common with the Federal office holders and regard it impolite to say the least for any of them to parade their views and advices to the race at this crucial moment of the history in the making for the race. The race has been silent and submissive long enough while wrongs upon wrongs have been heaped upon it by its so-called friends. So far as the Freeman is concerned we refuse absolutely to either be silent or acquiescent. We reserve the right to praise, commend, criticise and condemn whomsoever, and wherever and whenever praise, commendation, criticism and condemnation is justified and warranted. We believe in the doctrine of Free Speech and a Free Press without muzzles. Public office is a public trust, notwithstanding the advices of the Hon. Ralph W. Tyler and the Washington, D. C. Bee. By the way, a brother way down in Texas, named King, of the Dallas Express, published the following bit of interesting news, which we gladly quote at this time:

> The Bee is a strong advocate of the policies of the administration. The Bee, like all other liberal and conservative journals, will support the administration of President Taft because colored Americans have it in their power to make good citizens of themselves if they will follow the teachings of Mr. Taft, who has demonstrated his friendship for them. President Taft wants the colored man to help himself. Every man cannot get an office, and colored men might as well make up their minds to that effect. Some colored men hope to win by begging. That will not do. He must demonstrate force, and the way to demonstrate force is to become a factor in the body politic.—Washington Bee.
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> President Taft has demonstrated his friendship to some few of the high-cock-a-lorums and low-cock-a-lorums in reality up there, Brother Chase, and has demonstrated his friendship to a goodly number of well-deserving contingents in words down here. The colored brother down here has nothing to gain, not even hope for, advocating his policies. We do not hope to win by begging, neither do we care if we do lose by contending for our rights.—The Dallas Express.

Beg nothing! We want what is justly our due, citizens' rights as guaranteed by the Constitution, and more than that, we want a party in power that will have the boldness and courage to see to it that we have the enforcement of both the letter and spirit of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amedments to the United States Constitution. We accept of no compromise on this line, regardles of who is who or who ain't who. We must have a Freeman's rights. That's all.

THE FAIRBANKS RECEPTION.

The reception given to Ex-Vice-President Fairbanks and Mrs. Fairbanks upon their arrival in the city Thursday afternoon, March 24th, was a grand affair, and in our mind was the proper and fitting thing to do as a crowning finish of our distinguished citizen's world tour. Bereft of any spectacular ostentation, it was simply the real genuine friendly welcome home by neighbors and friends, a renewed assurance of the high appreciation of the amiable character and high accomplishments of both the Vice-President and his talented wife, and that we all sympathized with their delight at the reunion and safe return of our distinguished and dearly beloved chief citizen. All possible health and happiness to them.

The appointments were simple, as was in keeping with the spirit of the entire program of welcome. The American flag displayed outside the house and flowers arranged in the interior were the only decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks, accompanied by Governor and Mrs. Marshall, arrived at about 5:30 o'clock, with them coming the members of the executive committee, which had been in charge of all arrangements; the reception committee and the chairmen of the various auxiliary committees. Among these were Winfield Miller, Albert E. Metzger, R. B. Hilleary, George G. Tanner, John N. Carey, Donald Morris, George L. Knox, William E. English, Henry Riesenberg, Walter C. Marmon, Addison C. Harris, Noble C. Butler and Dr. S. A. Furnis.

"We had a fine time," said Mr. Fairbanks to some of his friends. "It was a great trip, but now that we have seen the world, we are glad to be home."

Later he told of the anticipation felt by Mrs. Fairbanks and him as they were approaching the American shore.

"We sat up until we could see the Statue of Liberty," he said. "It was after midnight when we sighted it; then we went to sleep and did not go ashore until the next morning. We were equally anxious to see Indiana soil, and watched anxiously for the line between Ohio and Indiana. Now that we are home, nothing could drag us away."

THE DISFRANCHISING MOVEMENT

The states of Maryland, South Carolina, and Mississippi through their Representatives want the 14th and 15th amendments to the United States constitution null and void, and the Negro race consigned to Hades. Last week Maryland threatened to go the limit in the nefarious scheme; proposing to prevent Negroes from registering to vote at county, township and city elections. Their proposition would have been more sweeping had it not been for the second section of the 14th amendment, which provides that when "such right is denied to any male citizen over 21 years of age, or in any way abridged, the basis of representation shall (not may) be reduced in the proportion which these citizens bear to the other voters of the State." There's the rub, and that's where they got stalled, and our representative from the 10th district—Judge Edgar D. Crumpacker came in with his big stick and urged that Congressional representation be reduced in such States as provided by the Constitution. Now, this is a great wrong perpetrated on a large class of loyal citizens of this Republic, and we want the President and our representatives to join the "speak out meeting" and rebuke those responsible for this brazen attempt in defiance of the Constitution, and put a stop to this southern persecution of the Negro race in America. This is usually the return that the South gives a wishy-washy, shilly-shally Republican administration when it remains passive and approving in attitude to the South. Brownsville infamy, and the shouting of President Taft's "THROW DOWN" Negro policy of political elimination is the direct cause for this affront to the Negro race. We resent this, and appeal to the manhood of the Negro race to rise up in the States where our votes are counted as cast and by ballot shoot the life out of the party that would betray us to the enemy. My God, the time has come to strike. Rise up and be men! Taxation without representation is dishonest.

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WRIGHT WILL STICK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Edward H. Wright, the colored candidate for alderman of the Second Ward, of Chicago, Ill., is being importuned each hour and day to withdraw from the contest and allow supposed "Boss" Chancey Dewey's candidate, Wilson Shufeldt, to win. Wright is not the kind of a man to be bought and turn traitor for money. The Negroes of the city, county and State in which he resides have the utmost confidence in him because of his ability and courage as a leader. The entire city of Chicago is awakened in interest, and prominent citizens, both white and black, are making speeches for him. One thousand colored women will be at the polls all day and work for his election in the thirty-nine precincts of the Second Ward. Wright, in his address last Tuesday evening, charged that Dewey approached S. B. Turner, editor of the Illinois Idea, and offered to give him $300 to carry his precinct for Shufeldt, or $500 if he could get Wright to withdraw, and, besides this, allow candidate Wright to write his own check, which he, Dewey, would pay. Meetings are held each night, and Saturday night there will be a mass meeting of all workers in the interest of Hon. E. H. Wright by the citizens of Chicago.

JAMES HALE PORTER, Sec.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A larger crowd attended the drama last Tuesday night at the K. of P. Hall, given by a portion of the Pensacola High School students, under the supervision of iMss Bessie Plummer and Prof. W. N. Bennett. The drama, from the very beginning, was quite interesting....Miss Josie Horton, one of last year's debutantes, has been receiving numerous birthday greetings from her numerous friends, congratulating her on the arrival of another birthday. It will be remembered by many that Miss Horton highly entertained many of her friends with a party at the K. of P. Hall last year....Mr. Richard Morris is out again, after being confined to his home for a few days....The Junior Progressive Club met last Friday at the home of Miss Allie Patterson. A very interesting meeting was held and a neat sum collected. After the meeting light refreshments were served and a few hours of amusement were enjoyed. The club meets this week at the home of Miss Mable Simon....The contracting firm of Cole, Watts & Jordon are making rapid progress in the erection of a two-story building at the corner of LaRue and Devillier streets. The building is owned by Dr. H. G. Williams and a portion of the lower floor will be occupied by the Pensacola Drug Store, at present at the corner of Palafox and Gregory streets. The second floor will be used as a hall for social functions....The Zion Star Clug gave an Easter egg hunt on Monday afternoon at the home of Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Gaines, corner LaRue and Rens streets. This is another club that is making great progress toward raising money to pay off the debts of the church. Mrs. Gaines is captain and is a steady worker....Mr. General Lucky, better known as "sug," has been added to the list of waiters at the New San Carlos Hotel....Mrs. Pattrick Presley has been very ill for the past few days, but is much better now....Dr. E. W. D. Issacs, head of the B. Y. P. U. Board, of Nashville, is in the city, the guest of Rev. Thomas Bellinger. Dr. Issacs will preach at Mount Zion Baptist Church Sunday at eleven o'clock....Mr. Wilbur Ford returned this week from points in Alabama, where he has been for several weeks for a change to improve his health....Mrs. E. E. DeVaughn, for more than twelve years an efficient and competent member of The Sentinel staff, has been sick for the last few weeks. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery....Mr. Joseph H. James, who has been in Jacksonville for the last few weeks, has returned to the city....The Senior Progressive Club held its meeting last Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Lyman, and a very large crowd attended....Miss Ethel Williams has been in Defuniak Springs, Fla., for the past few weeks....Mr. Henry Malone has returned home after a year or more of absence. His many friends are glad to see him back....A brass band composed of about a dozen small boys, inmates of what is known as the Colored Orphans' Home and Industrial School, of Huntington, W. Va., gave a concert last Tuesday night at the Pensacola Normal School, which a very nice crowd attended and were very much pleased. Since the the band has been playing at a number of central points on the streets and a collection is being lifted by Rev. C. E. McGhee, superintendent of the school, and S. W. Thompson, a teacher of the school and a graduate of the Booker T. Washington school at Tuskegee. The boys are very young, ranging from eight to fourteen years and are quite interesting to the general public....Mr. Joseph Strickland, centerfielder for the Birmingham Giants, is in the city this week.

ASHDOWN, ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We had a great day at the C. M. E. Church all day long Sunday, the 20th. It was a day set apart for a rally day for the building of a new church, and we must say that we had a grand success. Rev. W. L. Sisk, of Little Bethel A. M. E. Church, preached for us at 11 a. m. His text was John 3:7: "Marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." Rev. A. E. Carr, of the M. E. Church, preached for us at night. His text was Rev. 21:27: "He that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be my son"....Sister Dora Gair left on the 18th for Fullerton, La., to see her sick daughter....Sister Maria Zachry returned on the 20th after an extended visit to see her sick daughter at Good Pine, La....Mr. Jack Hicks returned home on the 18th and reports having a nice time at his brother-in-law's wedding on the 16th at Bivins, Texas....Mrs. A. Talton, one of the wealthiest colored men in Little River county, and a man who thinks well and makes few mistakes, is a large property owner and conducts a general merchandise store....Dr. J. M. Harris, of Texarkana, Ark., passed through our town on the 21st, and reports his church (Baptist) at Richmond, Ark., as having a great time Sunday, the 20th....Rev. P. D. Wilson, of Little Rock, Ark., was on the streets on the 22d and stated that he also had a glorious time at his church (Bright Star Baptist) Sunday....Mrs. Trudin Hicks left for Bivins, Texas, on the 26th to see her relatives and friends....Call at McCollum's if you desire to get among the associates of the cold region and get something good and cold to drink.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Antioch Baptist Church's big revival is still in session. Over thirty-five are ready for baptism....Dr. C. C. Strickland and Mr. Tom Mitchell took a trip over to Thomasville last Sunday to visit friends....Miss Ruby Griffin, of Pidcock, spent Saturday and Sunday in this city....Miss Carolyne Byrd has returned to the city after spending several months in middle Georgia....Miss Pearl Marshall returned to her home in Savannah last Wednesday....The relatives and friends of Miss Georgia Phillips regret to hear of the death of her dear mother, Mrs. Dora Green, who departed this life Wednesday night. She was one of the pioneer citizens of this city. Her remains were buried at the city cemetery.

DECATUR, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Willie Pearsoll and Miss Ethel Shaw are visiting friends in St. Louis this week....Miss L. Blanton entertained a number of guests Tuesday in honor of Miss Smith, of Springfield. A pleasant evening was spent....Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robinson, of Monticello, spent Easter Sunday with friends in Decatur....Mrs. H. Metlock and Mrs. Wm. Sprague have returned from Jacksonville, where they have been visiting their mother, Mrs. Wright....Mrs. D. W. McMurry and her daughter will visit friends in Clinton Sunday....Mrs. Henry Metlock entertained over one hundred guests in honor of her sister, Mrs. William Spayne Wednesday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Spayne expects to leave for Cleveland in about two weeks to study voice under Prof. Harry Freeman....Mrs. David Cowell of Bloomington spent Easter Sunday with her sisters, Mrs. H. Metlock and Mrs. W. Spayne....The Ladies' Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. Garrett on North Union street Friday. The spiritual part of the meeting was very good. Miss Zadie Smith and Mrs. A. Lawhorn were the visitors....Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cecil, of Chicago, are the guests of A. D. Cecil and family this week....Mrs. Jefferson Jackson, who has been seriously ill for the past week, was taken to St. Mary's Hospital Friday....Friends are kindly requested to seid their news items to William Nickens, 1026 N. Monroe St.

ERIE, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Deborah Court had their annual sermon preached Palm Sunday by Rev. Young of Meadville, Pa. A solo was sung by Mrs. Carrie Lawson and Master Charlie Thomas rendered a violin solo....Mrs. Etta Johnson has returned to Erie to live with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bladen....The Adah Chapter of Eastern Star will give their first grand reception Tuesday, April 12....Mr. Harry T. Burleigh, the famous baritone gave a recital in our city at the Park Presbyterian Church on March 29 for the benefit of St. James A. M. E. Church....Mr. Dickinson, Mrs. Bladen and Mr. Rufus Baxter are on the sick list.

ANDERSON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Mr. C. E. Posley, of this city, died at his late residence, 902 Hazlett street, Sunday evening, after a brief illness. The deceased was prominent in lodge circles, being a member of all the local lodges and State, as well. He was P. N. G. and P. N. F. of the I. O. O. F., No. 3854, and Worthy Patron of E. S. No. 26., also a thirty-third degree member of Peerless Lodge, No. 32. His remains were shipped to Corydon, Ind., for interment.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

State Grand Chalcellor A. N. Prince, of Sherman, will pay the local lodges of the order his annual visit at Castle Hall, 566 Main street, Tuesday night, April 5. He is on lecture tour for the future benefit of all Knights of the Third Rank. Officers and members are requested to be in their seats at 8 o'clock. Bring all the books belonging to your various departments and fail not....All Knights of Pythias and Courts of Calantheas were made glad while at Fair Park Auditorium by that matchless orator, Rt. Rev. 1Bshop Evans Tyree, who pictured true Pythianism and the fair Calanthea of ancient and the modern to the fullest extent of his many hearers and with such eloquence and logic that many are the praises of today yet ringing all over the city. Space will not permit all, but as a condenser, we admit that what he did to some of both sexes of the order was a plenty. Truth, too much of it, hurts our people these days. Brigadier General R. R. Jackson, Commander in Chief of the Uniform Ranks of the World, with headquarters at Chicago, Ill., was in attendance and spoke to the vast number on the discipline promulgated in his department and how to build the military companies of Texas up to where they will be an uplift to the young men of today all over the Lone Star State and the South and West, as it is in the North and East. The staff officers of General W. D. Donifer, commanding the ranks of Texas, occupied prominent seats with the Chancellor, officers and members of Companies 4, 5 and 15. Spear's brass band lead the procession to and from the auditorium, which entertained old and young going and coming and made the anniversary a gala day of praises combined with Easter and summer....Seralio Crawford is home from Seattle and California, talking of the Golden West....Elihu Derrett died Wednesday last after a lingering illness of consumption....Mrs. Jane Nicols, one of the old pioneer citizens, died Tuesday at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Dan James, on Colby street. Many viewed the last of Aunt Jane, as she was called from earthly labor to her reward on high....Longston University band played here and in several parts of the State, representing that school in music and song, pleasing those in all walks of life....Mrs. Mollie Morris is visiting her daughter at Baley, Okla....Jake Ward is in the Springs for his health....The social tide among the young people has begun to flow with the coming of spring and summer....Miss Lillie Mays, of Muskogee, Okla., spent several days here visiting relatives, schoolmates and friends....While on pleasure bent, that bunch of K. P.'s went some after the sermon. With those out-of-town visitors, members of Uniform Rank No. 15 wish to thank their many friends who so graciously responded to their call in the interest of their social functions, private and public, whenever gven.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Adolph Thisll, 60 Tenth street, departed this liwe Wednesday, March 24. He was a highly respected citizen and a graduate of the Milwaukee High School. He leaves a wife and son....Easter Sunday was an ideal day. Grand avenue and State street were thronged with well dressed people....The Turf Club's first annual ball will be given at the West Side Turners' Hall April 4. Bauch's military band will render music for the occasion. Mr. J. L. Slaughter, the wealthiest colored man in the Northwest, is president of the club. It will be one of the grandest affairs ever given by colored people in Milwaukee. A special train over the Milwaukee Electric Road will be run from Chicago, leaving Chicago at 5 p. m., arriving at Milwaukee at 8 o'clock....Colored people living in the Second Ward defeated Alderman Biersach for renomination. The fight was led by Captain Valle, editor of the Catholic Truth; J. D. Cooke, editor and publisher of the Wisconsin Weekly Defender, and S .R. Banks, the Fourth Ward politician. Biersach was a Negro hater....The Indianapolis Freeman is for sale every Saturday at the All Nations News Co., 328 State street. Single copy 5 cents.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Messrs. J. H. Bobson and William Saunders attended a called meeting of the Deputy Exalted Rulers and Secretaries in CoVlumbus. It was well attended, and there will be another meeting of the same in a short time to complete the business....Mrs. Clarence Norris and Emma Washingotn are on the sick list....Ernest Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Thompson and Mrs. Caroline Thompson returned from the funeral of Joseph Thompson in Massillon Thursday....Mrs. Jas. Mealey is able to be out after a week's illness....Mrs. John Cromwell was called to Pittsburg last week on business....The funeral of the late Mrs. Maggie Van Dusion was held from the Oak Hill Avenue Church Sunday afternoon. Rev. Smith officiated and the services were largely attended....A number of members and friends of Buckeye Lodge of Elks gave a surprise party on Mr. Thos. Barbour Tuesday evening in his home, 116 North Avenue, in honor of his thirty-seventh birthday and Mrs. M. A Morris' fiftieth anniversary, and Archie Thomas' forty-fourth birthday. The evening was spent in music and games, after which an elaborate menu was served and a number of speeches were made, Archie Thomas acting as toastmaster. The following was the menu: Ham and cabbage, creamed potatoes, corn fritters, Virginia cornbread, prme rib roast of beef, sweet potatoes, jerkins, radishes, celery, olives, Boston baked beans, tomato salad, mayonnaise dressing, cream cheese, cakes, sweet potato pie, fruit, coffee and cigars. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barbour, Mr. and Mrs. George Brackson, Mrs. Morris, George Lightfoot, J. H. Bobson, Norfolk Garns, R. D. Lynch, Geo. Ridout, Wm. Saunders, Archie Thomas, John Moore, Calvin Burke, C. A. Murry, Frank Hall, John Cromwell, Louis Mtchel, Marcus Rody, Dr. C. A. Pettiford and Dr. F. H. Simpson....Mr. W. T. Denison, Mrs. Snead, Robert Johnson, Mrs. C. W. Swinton and Mrs. Pierce, of Katskill, N. Y., were guests at dinner Sunday of Mrs. Norfolk Garns....Mrs. Carter and Douglas Heath are on the sick list....Mrs. Annie Woodson, of Sharletville, was the guest of Mrs. M. A. Morris, of North avenue, for a few days....Sir Knight Theophilus Pulman and wfe attended the Easter services of the Palestine Commandery No. 14, K. T., of Pittsburg. The sermon was preached by Rev. Lewis Pass, R. E. The services were held at St. James Church and were largely attended and honored by General Frank Sutton's superior officers of K. P. of Pittsburg....The annual sermon of the Logan Lodge, K. P., No. 4, U. R., Gold Leaf Co. D. and Louisa Edwards Court of Calanthe, No. 30, attended in a body and the exercises were well attended. Special music on the program was rendered by representatives of said lodges. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. Ross, pastor of the Mahoning Avenue Baptist Church, at which church the exercises were held....Mr. Harry Ewin has offered his restaurant at 21 Chestnut street for sale at a bargain to a quick buyer, as he has to quit the business on account of his health.

TYLER, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Prof. McClelan, the principal of the New Boggy Industrial Institute of Waskum, La., was the guest of J. V. McClelan, the principal of East Texas Academy, this week. Prof. McClelan spoke to the young people of East Texas Academy and he proved to the audience that has was an orator as well as a scholar....Prof. W. M. Roberts, a popular teacher of this county, s one or the most successful teachers n this part of the country. Prof. Roberts has been instrumental in being elected teacher in several of the largest schools in this county. He has helped a great many of the people pay for their homes. He is one of the strongest financiers of this county. He lends several hundred dollars annually. He is a leader financially as well as educationally....Rev. Wamack, the pastor of the C. M. E. Church, made a business trip to Jackson, Tenn., last week....The commencement of East Texas Academy promises to be one of the greatest in the history of the school....Miss Lela Anderson, one of the leading educators of this county, was seen in the city last Saturday on business. Miss Lela will leave early in April for Muskogee to spend the vacation.

YAZOO CITY, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Carrie Hicks' house, 231 South Yazoo street, caught fire last night and but for the quick response of the fire company it would have been destroyed....Owing to the illness of her sister, Mrs. Silvia Carter was called to Delhi, La., last week....Prof. E. R. Lawrence has been allowed an assistant teacher in the Battaile School....Mr. Will Bass, a highly honored citizen, shot and accidentally killed his friend, Mr. Sam Vincent. Everybody, both black and white, regrets the sad affair. These two young men were loved by every one.

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country and making any further efforts at racial progress.

In the meantime it might be well for you to give some serious thought to Roosevelt's hunting expedition through Africa, together with the sudden departure of many of your leading and more prominent business men who are now sojourning through Liberia and other dark colonies, for it would not be surprising in the least to me if a proposition to colonize the Negro in Liberia would not be the political issue in some future campaign. Senator Ingalis suggested this some fifteen years ago. Why should not Roosevelt or some others of your political leaders, who are constantly preying upon the weaknesses of your race for his political salvatoin?

A certain police commissioner in New York City once made a statement to the public to the effect that a majority of criminals arrested during his reign were Jews.

The Jews questioned this statement and demanded further proof to that effect.

The commissioner failing to produce satisfactory proof, every Jew, from the highest to the lowliest, rose en mass and signed a petition demanding that the commissioner publicly retract his statement. The results were that the commissioner issued a sweeping denial of such facts, in the meantime apologizing to the entire Jewish race for having made such an erroneous statement. We all know that the Jews are one of the most disliked races on the face of the globe, but, yet, with all this, he is fully aroused to the necessity of his moral and physical rights and will fight to the last ditch for them. Consequently he is being more and more respected, until today New York is run almost entirely by the Jews.

Let the Negro see to it that the laws are dealt out to him the same as to other races, and there'll be no time for the consideration of a Negro problem or any other problem.

As it is, the administration of justice to the Negro is so weak-kneed that what little ambition there is in him is hopelessly blighted, and he looks upon the world after all as a forlorn hope.

What he wants to do is to wake up and give up that ambitious idea of dying for the red, white and blue until he is assured at least that its laws will be more equitably dealt out in matters that directly and indirectly concern him.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Blanche Charleston was called to Chicago on business on March 25....The home of Mr. George Duckett, St. Anthony Avenue, was damaged by a fire to the extent of several hundred dollars. The loss was fully covered by insurance....Mrs. B. Longley gave a travel talk at the Y. W. C. A. Tuesday evening, March 29....Easter services at Pilgrim Baptist Church were well attended all day. In the evening there was a splendid sacred concert under the directorship of Mme. Addie Crawford Minor. Selections from Hayden's Mass were rendered by the choir. Mrs. S. Edward Hall presided at the pipe organ....The Easter services at St. James A. M. E. Church drew large numbers of people at all three of the services. People had to be turned away at the morning service. The services were very impressive and inspiring. St. James is at present the most wideawake church in the Northwest. Rev. Graves has put St. James in the front ranks....Rev. E. H. McDonald, of Pilgrim Baptist Church, preached the annual sermon for Pilgrim Commandery No. 22, K. T., on last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock....There was a little girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sears last week....Mr. Lewis Cason has built a handsome new cottage in Hamline and he expects to take a bride soon....Mr. C. Cosby has opened up a hotel on East Ninth street for Negroes, which will be known as Hotel Crosby. A first-class cafe and dining room will be run in connection with the hotel....Miss Sallie Hawkins, of Chicago, is the guest of Miss Grace Thompson, 132 Viola street....Mrs. Julia Hinson has gone South for her health. Mrs. Harris, in her mother's absence, will have charge of the St. Louis Cafe....Mr. L. J. Thompson left last week for Boston and different points in Connecticut, where he will visit relatives....As the spring opens up there is a great influx of our people coming in from the South, lured by the rumor that wages are good and discrimination is less, but oftentimes they are very badly disappointed....The Juvenile Department of the West End Branch Y. W. C. A. gave a party on last Saturday afternoon at the rooms....News has been received that Prof. W. A. Robinson, the violinist, now with Richard & Pringle's Minstrels, will be married this spring to a Kentucky belle....Get The Freeman each week from Henry Crawford, the hustling news agent. Send your news items into 27 Union Block, by Saturday of each week....Miss Grace Thompson is attendant in Dr. Bloom's office.

MARION, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Genius Club gave an entertainment at the parsonage of the A. M. E. Church Tuesday evening, March 22....Miss Elnora Goodner, aged thirteen years and seven months, passed away at her home on Thursday morning, March 24. Her remains were carried to her home in Nashville, where interment occurred....The St. Paul Baptist Church had a literary program on Thursday evening....Rev. Northcross was in the city Sunday with his church....The St. Paul Baptist Church and the A. M. E. Church both had Sunday night programs, and both were well attended.

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"Honey" Johnson, the monologist, was a hit at the Colonial this week.

The Two Johnsons are meeting with their continued success in the West.

Belle Davis and her picks opened at the Orpheum at Omaha, Neb., last Sunday.

Tim Owsley, the comedian, who has been very ill for the past two weeks, is able to be out again.

Rowland, the brainstorm juggler, is playing the Prospect Theater at Cleveland, Ohio, this week.

Porter and Russell are meeting with much success at the Famous Theater at Atlanta, Ga. Regards to all friends.

Mr. Clarence D. Parker, business manager for Mr. Bert A. Williams the past season, was a FREEMAN caller Monday.

The Buckley Quartette, Young and Young, Lewis and Lewis, were in Indianapolis this week, en route to Evansville, Ind.

Gordon Bunch presented for the first time his novelty act, "Mysterious Komedo, the Mechanical Wonder," to a colored audience at Philadelphia last week.

The Columbia, the moving picture and vaudeville house at 522 Indiana avenue, under the personal management of Hill and Hill, will open Saturday evening.

Pearl Moppin, after several weeks in Jacksonville, Fla., is now in Memphis, Tenn., 216 East Calhoun avenue. Regards to the profession. California bound now.

The Arntes arrived safe and sound on the Philadelphia steamer at New York City, Saturday morning. Address 402 West Thirty-sixth street, New York, N. Y.

Clever Billy Young is now negotiating with Prof. Franklin with a view to placing before the public Young and Franklin's Ebony Laugh Makers and Wonderful Dog Show.

The Big Three Trio, composed of Moore, Murray and Moore, opened at Luna Park, Atlanta, Ga., last week with success. Mr. Moore has been suffering with a bad foot for quite a while, and it has had lots to do with his work.

The Dixie Students played to a fair-sized crowd Wednesday evening, March 23, at Minneapolis. The singing of Violet Anderson and Jimmy Drake was the feature. The Lee Sisters did a very clever singing act. Mamie Ewing sang "Honey Gal," which was one of the hits of the show.

The Whitman Sisters and company have just finished two successful weeks at the Temple Theater, New Orleans, La., scoring a decided hit. After playing three nights to packed houses at Baton Rouge, La., they returned to Mobile, Ala., to open Dixie Park, one of the most beautiful parks in the South for colored people.

The Orrs Stock Company have finished a six weeks' engagement at the Dixie Theater, Richmond, Va., and will open in Petersburg, Va., Monday, at the American, with Marguerite Taylor of New York, Marguerite Avery and Rose Wellman. Rose Wellman sends regards to Epps and Laretta.

Sam Davis, the clever singing, dancing and talking comedian, who for some time has been stage manager at the Globe Theater, Norfolk, Va., is still making good. Mr. Davis is known as an earnest and reliable worker. He is now hard at work on a new comedy sketch, which he expects to put before the public some time soon. This act can and will make good. "That's all." Regards to Bob Russell and all friends in and out of the profession.

J. H. Williams, former manager of the Pastime Theater, Athens, Ga., opened at the Pekin, Savannah, Ga., Monday, and made a decided hit singing "Shake, Rattle and Roll or My Money Ain't Going." Mr. Williams will go from Savannah to Florence, S. C., for eight weeks, and then he hopes to meet his friends in Athens again. He sends regards to Mr. Davis and family, also Weldon Rolen, and says tell Barlow to let the curtain down on time, as Big Chief is looking at him.

MAJESTIC THEATER, AT GREENVILLE, S. C.

The Majestic Theater has reoponed its doors to the public, with J. Frank Ross as stage manager and Alonzo Peterson musical director. Miss Georgia Ferris is making good singing "Shaky Eyes." Miss Rosa Groves is cleaning up singing "Little on Account." Bud Nelson, Silas Jones and Joe Plummer are making good singing and dancing. Mr. Oscar Lounds left for Pasadena, Cal., and send his best regards to Frank Crosby.

ABBIE MITCHELL AT THE WIGWAM, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

A rich voice, splendid enunciation and finished acting ability, "suiting the action to the word," as it were, are a combination that passes Miss Mitchell as one of the season's best in her line. What is principally needed is a snappy line of new songs. A change or two of costume would not be amiss. "Red, Red Rose" brought forth a big encore. "My Cousin Caruso" was in doubt only until after the first verse. Miss Mitchell sure is some gal when it comes to singing, but should have the numbers to help that along.—Fountain, in The Variety.

PEOPLE'S THEATER, HOUSTON, TEXAS.

The Billy Henderson's Amusement Company at this popular playhouse is without a doubt the breeziest colored organization that has ever played the city of Houston, says the Texas Freeman, and they certainly display their ability as artists in their particular line. The Tansells, Aggie and Frank, the Mobleys, Hezekiah and Dottie, Elbert White, Miranna Fritz, Baby Cleo, Gussie Love and Billy Henderson make up this excellent company. Prof. Kid Love and George Williams on the piano and drums are certainly holding their own. The company plays musical comedy and comedy dramas to perfection. Billy Henderson, "the Georgia Honey Boy," producer and director of amusements, has composed two hot ones. The titles are "I'm Certainly Wild About the Girl That Wears the Baby Doll" and "You Ain't the Only Man I Ever Loved," which are being featured by Miss Gussie Love and the author. The press and public speak very highly of the company. All friends in and out of the profession write.

AIR DOME, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Kenner and Lewis, the Williams and Walker of the South, are still holding them down at the Air Dome. They came to the Dome to put in four weeks, and have been there fourteen weeks, and now the manager has given them an indefinite contract in through Mr. Marion Brooks, the able producer and stage manager of the Dome, and was delighted to find them there. "There is nothing like benig all-around workers—in other words, learn how to be versatile, and you will be valuable to any house that you may be able to book in. Kenner and Lewis have made that a special study for years, and I dare say they are far different from the rest; in fact, like all performers, they have their little differences at times, but it never interferes with their business affairs. That is something all colored performers should learn, as that is the road to success. I cannot help from vieing with Rich Matthews on his little stunt. He has the right idea. Never let your personal affairs interfere with your business affairs." Kenner and Lewis send regards to Williams and Stevens, the Allens, Bob Slater, Billy King, Clarence Powell, Liz and Tom Thomas.

NOTES OF WINNIPEG, CANADA.

By HARRY A. BROWN.

All the old-timers in the profession will remember "Dick" Weston, who now is living in Winnipeg, Can., and who retired from the stage twenty years ago. We are royally entertained at his beautiful residence, 641 Bannatyne avenue, where he would be pleased to hear from old friends at any time. Billy Johnson is also being entertained by Mr. Weston this week. Mr. Weston came to this country when it was new, and "has got his."

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Jones and Grant open here at the Dominion Theater next week, en route to the coast.

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Billy Johnson and his Valentines, composed of seven people, are playing here at the Avon Theater. Mr. Johnson has leased the theater, and is putting on stock, changing shows and cast weekly.

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Will Gundry leaves shortly for New York to again enter the profession. He is to join his partner, "Frenchy."

THE AUDITORIUM AT PHILADELPHIA.

Holy Week, strange to say, made a high-water mark in the atendance at the Auditorium. The total attendance for the week ran far ahead of any week since the house was established. Possibly this large business was attracted by the nightly appearances of Mysterious Komedo, the Mechanical Wonder (Gordon Bunch), who had the audiences pedplexed during the whole week. Komedo was the extra attraction last week.

This week Rose Fox and her Little African Knights, late of the Empire Theater, Leicester Square, London, England, headed the bill in a novelty singing and dancing act, which has just returned form a tour of the South, having been featured in the larger houses of that section. Gordon Bunch, America's foremost colored humorist, is the added attraction, and the supporting bill includes Billy Green, late of the Georgia Minstrels, in his original monologue, "The Sun Do Move," and Carrie Jones, of the Jones Sisters, in a pleasing singing act.

THE PALACE THEATER AT HOUSTON, TEXAS.

The Palace Stock Company is sending them away screaming every night and playing to record-breaking crowds. The opening act, "A Railroad Station," in which Sandy Burns, our character man, keeps the house roaring in his character teh list ourge station caller. It is a musical act, an deach number is a hit. The vaudeville is headed by Viola McCoy, and this young lady is certainly delivering the goods. Frankie Edwards and Lillie Brown are a scream in their original act. These girls take from three to four encores. The last number, but not the least in the olio, is Miss Floyd Fisher and E. Deb Levi, who are featuring a song hit, "The Barbers' Ball." They were called back a number of times. The last act, "A Haunted Hotel," is opened by Miss Maud Campbell, the landlady. Russell and Burns keep the house guessing as to whom the room belongs, as they both engage the same one. They finally agree to occupy it together. The Ghost, who annoys their sleep, is no other person than Kid McCoy, the dancing demon. This stock company is composed of Burns, McCoy, Russell and Levi, the Misses Campbell, Edwards, Fisher, Brown and Mrs. McCoy. H. F. Seals, our pianist, is ever making good, and his overtures during the intermissions can not be surpassed. He is assisted by Mr. Ira Relliford on the traps.

WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY CO.

That "a prophet is without honor in his own home" will not hold good when applied to the Tutt Brothers and the Whitney Musical Comedy Company playing Logansport, Ind., their birthplace, was amply exemplified last week. The compank broke the record of the new Broadway Theater, playing there the worst week of the year, Holy Week. The artistic success of the company was overshadowed by their social triumph. Friends, white and colored, vied with each other in an effort to make the home-coming of the Tutt Brothers a grand success. Monday evening a grand ball and banquet was given at Armory Hall, under the auspices of the Just a Few Club, headed by George C. Parker, Harry Brooks, James Turner and Albert Akers. It was largely attended by friends from all surrounding towns, and was pronounced to be the nicest of its kind yet given in Logansport. The same club gave a reception and card party at Red Men's Hall, Thursday evening, the entire company being present. The Tutt Brothers were also entertained by Harry Brooks, proprietor of Logansport's best pool and billiard parlor, in his palatial flat. Dinners, teas and luncheons were also tendered the boys by Mrs. Lynn Brooks and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payton, James and Floretta Turner, Miss Belle Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carter and Mr. and Mrs. James Carter. Prof. Douglass, nineteen years superintendent of the public schools of Logansport, called on Mr. Salem Tutt in his dressing room, where teacher and pupil talked over old times. Friday morning, at the request of Prof. Douglass, Salem addressed over 500 high school pupils, keeping them in laughter for half an hour. He was accompanied by W. A. Bayard, who rendered several selections on the piano, which were wildly applauded by the students. Altogether it was a gala week, and will be indelibly engraven as a happy episode upon the hearts of the Whitney Musical Comedy Company.

GEORGE ELMORE WHITE PASSES AWAY.

Was a Member of the Original Pekin Stock Company.

George Elmore White, of the well-known vaudeville team of Elmore and Ray, died Tuesday, March 22, at his home, 2444 State street, Chicago.

Mr. White's death was due to an abscess of the liver. He had been ill for some time, and two weeks before the last realized that the end was near. His suffering was intense, and after arranging for his funeral and other matters with his wife, he prayed for his Maker, with whom he had made peace, to take him away.

Mr. White was born in New Albany, Ind., April 1, 1875, attended the public schools of his home town, and went upon the stage at an early age, and was a representative of the type of young men who now go upon the stage as a business—a gentleman in conduct, and a student, applying diligently every energy to improve.

In 1901 he married Beulah Ray, who ever afterwards was a companion in all of his undertakings. Together they joined the Pekin Stock Company. Mr. White attracted attention to himself especially in the following roles as a member of this aggregation: George Overstreet in "The Husband," the Race Horse Tout in "The Man from Bam," and Joe Wall Street in "Captain Rufus." Following this engagement Mr. White and his wife went into vaudeville as Elmore and Ray, played some of the best time, and are known everywhere they have played as one of the representative Western colored acts. His death will be a loss to the profession. He had worked hard, saved a snug sum of money, and was preparing to elaborate his act, a long-cherished idea, when his illness began.

He is survived by a wife, Beulah Ray White, and a sister, Mrs. Romanna Mathers, of Nelson, British Columbia. On account o fthe late arrival of the latter, interment was delayed until Monday, March 28. Impressive services were held at Quinn Chapel, and the remains were followed to the last resting place in Oakwood Cemetery by a large number of friends. The following, by Mr. White's request, were the pall-bearers: Irvin Miller, Joe Brown, Henri Bowman and Luther Moenesse.

THEATRICAL NOTES FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Jacksonville is filled with colored performers. The Kersands Big Minstrels under canvas is rehearsing, and will open Monday, April 4, here in the city. The Big Chief, Billy Kersands, came in Sunday, looking fine, accompanied by Mrs. Kersands. She also is looking the picture of health.

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At the Air Dome this week finds a brand new show, "The Beauty Doctor," an original idea of fun by Marion Brooks. "The Beauty Doctor" is played by the popular Billy Earthquake, and when he makes his change as the Doctress he sets the house to roaring. Mr. Earthquake is very funny in this short sketch, as he is in all others.

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Miss Ada (Kite) Fisher, of the Air Dome, is certainly looked on by her friends as a clever little worker, and this week she is singing "Lovey Dovey" in "The Beauty Doctor," and takes al ithe encores she wants. Looks funny, but it's true. And don't you think once that the Aid Dome patrons are any too easy.

Mr. Slim Henderson this week at the Air Dome staged himself a new idea for the olio. He is assisted by Miss Ada Fisher and Miss Viola Stewart. This act was put together in a hurry, but with Mr. Henderson's comedy and funny situations would carry the act on any agent's big time. It is singing, talking and dancing.

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The news has just leaked out that the dainty Miss Stewart, playing at the Air Dome Theater, is the wife of Harrison Stewart, of the team of Stewart and Marshall, now playing the United time in the East.

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John Lewis, partner of Lew Kenner, of the Air Dome stock company, is the sport of that aggregation. Every afternoon finds Mr. Lewis in his runabout en route to Moncrief rack track. This youngster is a clever stock performer, aside from his clever sporting ways.

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Marion A. Brooks, the producing manager of the Air Dome Theater, is one of the busiest men in Jacksonville—busy at his room the same as at his office, staging, writing and arranging new ideas for the betterment of the house he is working for. This young man is a great addition to the Air Dome. One can see it every time the curtain goes up.

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This week marked the closing week at the Air Dome of the clever Wiggens and Wiggens. They go to the Arcade Theater, Atlanta, for a return engagement of three weeks, instead of Pensacola, Fla., as that house is closed for repairs. Wiggens wants to jump from Atlanta into Chicago at the clsoe of his three weeks. Some unknown youngster with plenty of nerve by the name of "Kid" Brooks challenged Wiggens for a dancing contest. Manager Joel consented to offer a $25 prize if he could beat Wiggens. It was pulled off on the stage right after the show, and it looked at the beginning that Wiggens had found his master, but nay, nay! Jack Wiggens jumped out and made the youngster go and hide. Oh, you Wiggens!

THEATER ROYAL, MEMPHIS, TENN

Walter James Reid writes of Theater Royal, Memphis, Tenn.:

This theater is still in the lead, as usual, and playing to S. R. O. nightly. But the whole stroll mourn the loss of their old veteran performer and manager, Bon Bon Buddie, or Thomas Briggs, who departed this life March 26, at 11 o'clock p. m. Thomas Briggs was carried to his home at Yazoo City, Miss., where he died. The whole Royal mourns the loss of Bon Bon, but God knows His work best. The Briggs family has our sympathy.

Miss Janie Mullin, our male impersonator, is still with us, singing "Hello, Angel Face," which is quite a hit.

Miss Trixie Colquitt, our charming little soubrette, is singing "Oh, You Blondy!" which she is making good with. She sends regards to all the profession.

Mrs. Zenobie Jefferson is certainly cleaning up singing "Mesmerizing Mendelssohn Tune."

Mr. Eugene Liggins, stage manager, has had a hard time on the sick list, but is able to work again.

Mr. William Day, principal comedian, is still receiving three and four encores nightly singing "Strawberries."

Mr. Fred Harris, singing and dancing comedian, is simply in it. Go it, Freddie!

Mr. John Coleman, the celebrated ventriloquist, and his famous dolls, are a screamer. Mr. Coleman can not be excelled in his profession.

Miss Alice M. Quiller, our musical directress, sends regards to Carrie Hall and Fisher and Simpson.

Walter J. Reid, trap drummer, has been on the sick list. He sends regards to Carrie May Hall Stock Company, Miss Lucille Postell, Mr. Alexander Blue and Jimmie Blivetts.

WITH "HIS HONOR, THE BARBER."

Bertha Ormes Dudley was as jubilant as a three-year-old youngster while en route to Cleveland, last Sunday morning. Sitting beside her husband, S. H. Dudley, the most clever star of the Smart Set Company since the reign of the late Ernest Hogan, she happened to gaze out of the car window on the golden fields of her birthplace, Warren, Ohio. This is where Mrs. Dudley recalls pleasant reminiscences of her girlhood days. She, being the favored daughter of three handsome girls, and having a strong inclination toward the stage, was permitted to have her way, whereupon she gave up her position as a manicurist and joined Katherine Germane in the renowned "Fencing Master." She finally joined Isham's "Oriental America" Company, sailing with them on their European trip. Now she is with "His Honor, the Barber" Company, and is happy and contented by the side of her husband, S. H. Dudley, where she may point with pride to the golden soil which produced such a true example of Afro-American womanhood.

Mrs. Dudley took a journey from Youngstown, Ohio, to Warren, the place of her nativity. She was accompanied by her father, who is 81 years old and enjoying the best of health. She was met by her niece, and eldest brother, Mr. Wallace Ormes, in Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley and Miss Ella Anderson were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. A. Berry while in Youngstown, Ohio. A dance was also tendered in honor of "His Honor, the Barber" Company.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harris, of our company, wish to extend their deepest sympathy in behalf of the great catastrophe which enveloped the Mahara Minstrels in great financial ruin. James Harris, who is our stage manager, was at one time an active member of this ebony aggregation.

Ella Anderson, "the dazzling merry widow," received a visit from her brother, Mr. Preston Jones, of Detroit, Mich., while we played in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Jones regretted very much to think that he could not witness Miss Anderson and her male octette in the "Merry Widow Brown" number, but as he had very urgent business to attend to in Detroit, he had to leave the show before this number came on.

Lottie Grady is still bewitching in "Rainbow Sue" and "There's a Pickaninny Crying in the Moon." These two song numbers are her delight.

SMOAKVILLE SHOW TROOPE.

Dear Mr. FREEMAN:

I see where all the other managers of show troopes, big or little, rite in and tell you of their success, so I thought I wood rite you reserning mine, the manager of the Smoakville The-a-tri-cal Troope. I can boast that we has never stranded yet, cause we has jest organized. My first step was to rite to Will Smith, Sid Perrin's manager, agent and chief comeddian, and he rit me back sayin' like he thought I was crazy; that he could send me 20 people for $175.00 a week, includin' Henry Strange, the famous black face comedian. I did not ansir, cause if I had $175.00 I would not start no show troope. I had to rite the show myself, cause I sent to Marion Brooks, and he wanted to charge me $50 for a few jokes, when I can go to George Bynum, our town barber, and get all the jokes I want for ten cents, with a shave throwed in, even if the razor is dull.

Next I rit to Will Foster, Chicago, the man that made the Gotham-Appiomaticus music store famous, reserning advertizements, and he rit me that he could furnish me with one sheets, too seets and ate sheets to last a hole sezon for $100.00. I rit back and told him I wasn't starting a rooming house. I wanted a man to advertize, and could get all the seets I wanted from a Pullman porter. I wouldn't rite to any more of them, cause I see by there letters that they don' no any more 'bout the bizziness than I do, so I decided to use home talent resclusively.

Now, my star comedian tol me that wonce he shined S. H. Dudley's shoes, so I no he must be O. K., havin' come in close contact with such a funny man; so tell Burt Williams of Coal and Johnson and Bob Coal of Averoy and Hart to look sharp for their's another man in the field. I have a woman comedian who can't help from bein' funny, cause on the street she looks like Andrew Tribble on the stage. Her rite name is Arabella Simpson, stage name "Teete." Sammy Korker, sole owner and backer of Coal and Johnson's Shoo Fly Regime-ment, tol me I ought to have a strait man. I don't no what to do about it, cause everybody 'round here is so dishonest. Anyhow, I guess I don't need one, cause I am goin' to *sell* and also *take* up the tickets. As a big number I have Soap-a-rino Francellias, alias Mandy Brown, who is a musician from the word go, and I don't care where you go. She is a wonder; she can get more music out of a washboard than Ruby Shelton, of Fiddler and Shelton, the famous acrobats, can out of a piano keyboard. Funny Will Marion Cook has never seen her.

With this combination we ought to set the world a-talking. We start practicing next Tuesday, providing the star comedian can get off—you know he works in a berber shop. I think I has everything lined up pretty well, but can use a few more girls. If you no any that wants to troope, tell them to rite me; I can at least guarantee them good wether. I'll rite you next week how the practice came out.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE BEARD,
Manager Smoakville Show Troope,
Smoakville, Ga.

MOBILE BASEBALL NOTES.

The Mobiles and New Orleans crossed bats Monday at Dixie Park, with victory to the former.

Mr. Dave Johnson will manage the Dixie Club of Mobile this year. The Cuban Giants and Leland Giants are booked for dates during the spring practice.

Mr. Ralph Clemmons has a permanent position with the management of the park.

CUBAN STARS TO PLAY.

PENSACOLA, Fla.—The Cuban Stars baseball club will play the Pensacola Giants April 6 and 7. Mendez, the black diamond pitcher of the Cuban Stars, held the Cincinnati National League club to no runs in twenty-seven innings in November, 1908.

Manager James Goldstrucker, of the Pensacolas, is working hard to make the game for the season the best ever witnessed in the city.

GREENVILLE, S. C.

Mr. F. J. Young, of Spartansburg, S. C., spent Sunday the guest of Miss Cecelia Johnson....Dr. Cheek, of Columbia, S. C., is in the city assisting Dr. Maloy with a revival at Springfield Baptist Church....Mr. P. A. Smith is at home from school on account of fire destroying the main building at Harbison College, Abbieville, S. C., in which three boys were cremated.

MOBILE, ALA.

Rev. P. J. Goins, presiding elder of the M. E. Church, held his first quarterly meeting at Warren Street M. E. Church last Sunday and preached a very able sermon....Dr. G. H. Wilkerson spent several days in Birmingham last week. He went to the annual convention of the Alabama Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Association, and gave a response to the mayor of that city on the opening night at the Congregational Church. Dr. A. D. Simington also attended the meeting, and visited his relatives in Chattanooga, Tenn., during his trip away....Dr. E. T. Belsaw, the president of the local association and a popular dentist, visited Birmingham during the convention. The Doctor led a discussion on the care of children's teeth. The session adjourned Friday, March 25. Next place of meeting will be in Mobile, April, 1911....C. W. Hill, principal of Booker T. Washington School, J. B. Carter, of Fairhope, Ala., and Mr. A. D. Smith were in attendance at the State Teachers' Association in Birmingham, March 23 to 25. There were about two thousand teachers in attendance. Prof. W. C. Parker was elected president for the ensuing year.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Mr. G. W. Thompson, brother of Mrs. M. A. Davis, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Davis for the week. Mr. Thompson is a clerk in the Chicago postoffice. On Sunday the Rev. A. L. Casey, formerly of Memphis, Lawyer Wilson and Miss Pearl Johnson were guests at Mr. and Mrs. Davis' in honor of their visiting relative, Mr. Thompson....This week is spring vacation in the schools. The teachers are going to different towns to visit schools. Miss Clenna left for Indianapolis Sunday; Miss Chinn is going to Henderson; Miss Snow to Indianapolis; Miss Chambers to Chicago; Misses Wyatt and Richie to Princeton and other towns....Lawyer Wilson went to Mt. Vernon, Ill., on a case last Thursday....The Willing Workers' Club of Liberty Baptist Church cleared $75 in the second annual penny social on Monday....The able evangelist, Rev. Harrison, is conducting a successful revival at Independent Baptist Church, on the West Side....There was a splendid program at Zion Baptist Church, Newburg, on Sunday. Miss Anna Dorsey, Mrs. Prof. Johnson, Eugene Rounds and Rev. Townsend took part.

BASEBALL PRACTICE BEGINS

In the Camp of Walker's Giants at Dallas, Texas.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

DALLAS, Texas.—The following players have reported to Manager Walker: Lockett, Jones, Griffin, Garrett, Jacobs, Johnson, Ferris, Preston, Liberary and Wagoner. The others are to report about the 10th. Practice has begun, and the fans have begun to speculate on the positions of the players already.

Owners Boyd and Else, of the Gainesville team, had their players here Thursday, en route to south Texas, restocking accessorie sfor this season. Captain Townsend and his men make a fine appearance as one of the league team of north Texas. Melton, pitcher; Blackman, catcher; Harper, pitcher; Else, catcher; Hill, left fielder; Curry right fielder; Hill, third base; Johnson, first base; Brigham, second base; Williams, shortstop; Westley, center fielder; Stearl, pitcher—these ball players are determined to have their look-in on the Texas pennant this season. Captain Townsend has his bunch under control, and their team work has already put the fans to reading their last year's dope sheets on their records.

East Dallas Locals are ready for a challenge from any city team, and the Queen City Sluggers are batting the horsehide all over their practice ground every day, getting in shape to meet all comers in the local ranks. Up to date the reporter has had no news from the following teams: Frogtown Bullies, Chippytown Blues, Freedmonton Browns, Chestnut Hill Grays. The captains are requested to call at the FREEMAN office, 190 Main street, Dallas, Texas, with the lineup of their players and where they are to play this season, so that the lovers of the game will know you and what progress you are making as athletes in this grand struggle for supremacy.

LELAND'S CHICAGO GIANTS WIN.

Their Southern Training Trip a Hummer—The Mighty Pettus Hits a Home Run.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

FORT WORTH, Texas.—The Giants arrived at Fort Worth, Texas, Thursday noon, the 24th instant, and immediately began their practice on the home grounds. All Fort Worth was out to greet them, and the depot was packed with people to meet them. Captain Nate Harris and the team were on the field every morning at 8 a. m., and he practices two hours. All have lunch at noon and return to the park at 1 p. m., and remain until half past 3. One of the special features of the training Captain Harris had adopted is the two-mile run the boys make daily between the ball grounds and the hotel. A course of baths are taken daily, and Trainer Coleman is kept busy keeping the boys in good trim.

Sunday the first game of the season was played. It was Easter, and a beautiful day. Three thousand people packed McGar's Park to see the game. They came in carriages, in wagons, on horseback, in street cars, and hundreds walked four and five miles from the surrounding country. The boxes were packed with the elite of the city, and many white people attended the game, notwithstanding the fact that the New York National League team played at another park. The umpire announced the batteries for each team at 3:30 p. m., the gong rang, and the old familiar and enthusiastic cry "Play ball!" rang out upon the air amid the cheers of the thousands of baseball fans. The Lelands showed form from the tap of the bell until the last man was gone in the ninth inning. Cyclone Joe and Pettus starred for the Giants, and Terrance and Lofton appeared for the Forth Worth Wonders. The Giants won, and carried off the honors with the willow, making 12 hits to their opponents' 6. Cyclone Joe injured his hand in the fifth inning, and the old reliable Walter Ball took his place and held the Wonders down. Here is the score:

Giants ....0 1 0 2 2 2 1 0 1—9
Wonders ....0 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1—4

The mighty Harry Pettus made a home run. Our own Harry Moore cracked out a terrific three-bagger. James Taylor, our new third baseman, made three hits, one of which was a slashing two-bagger, and "old man" Dange Talbot hit the ball like a demon. Bob Marshall played first base like an old veteran, and Wallace simply put the second bag to sleep. Pettus caught a star game and will make all Chicago stand up and shout when he makes his famous throw to second.

Winston, Moore and Green smothered the gardens, and there is no question about this outfield being one of the best in the country, bar none. Captain Harris is fast becoming a Hugh Jennings, and the way he directs his team and pulls off plays is a revelation in the baseball world. Norman "Steelarm" Johnnie Taylor and Chappie Johnson are in excellent condition and will be in the points this week.

The team is hitting the ball in wildfire style, and looks like a City League pennant winner this year. Your humble servant has been wined and dined by the leading citizens of the city, and no pains have been spared to make our visit pleasant and profitable. Fort Worth is no small town. Yours,

MAJOR R. R. JACKSON.

ADDYSTON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Riddle, of Cincinnati avenue, entertained Saturday afternoon and evening at a 6 o'clock supper for Miss Rachel Peterson, of Cumminsville, Ohio....W. H. Brannon has been erecting a pair of cement steps at the residence of Mayor J. A. Clift. The job is about completed and is a neat one. Mr. Brannon is a contracting stone mason by trade....Mr. Cyrus Hawkins has been busy for the past few days laying water pipes....Mr. Chas. Whitson is building a new pair of steps which will be of much benefit to his home....Mr. Jack Harris has erected a new porch, which gives his home a much neater appearance...."An Evening with Dunbar," a musical and literary program, will be produced at the church at an early date. Arrangements are about completed. All those desiring to take part will oblige by leaving name and subject with the chairman of the program committee, William Williams, Jessie Clayton, W. Kilgore....The officers of the Business Men's Club are as follows: Cyrus Hawkins, president; N. C. Hawkins, secretary; J. G. Harris, treasurer; S. Carrie, vice-president; Clarence Foster, assistant secretary; Jessie Clayton, business manager. Meetings are held on each Tuesday evening from 7 to 9:30 at Cyrus Hawkins' barber shop on High street....A meeting was held Friday evening at the Gaines & Pillow clubrooms for the purpose of getting a firmer hold on the new project of a brass band. Many encouraging remarks were made and the selection of instruments considered. It is expected that by June the village will be galore with the sweet strains of music. The Freeman agent wishes them much success....Mrs. Fannie King, who has been rooming at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Onsley, has taken up her residence in the city....J. W. Gaines, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Clara Gaines, will leave Sunday for a few days' visit at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lambkins, of Park Place, Anderson, Ind.....Rev. T. L. Ferguson, pastor of the Park Street Church, was the principal speaker at the K. of P. annual service Sunday, and made an impressive plea for race unity, love and friendship. J. W. Gaines of this place was present....The Freeman can be had at the barber shop of Cyrus Hawkins on High street every Saturday evening and Sunday.

PARIS, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The A. M. E. Conference convened on March 31 at Maysville, Ky. Elder Bryant is in attendance....Elder Montague, the blind preacher, preached at the Christian Church Sunday in the absence of Elder Campbell, who is holding a meeting in Chicago, Ill....Jim Hockens bought a beautiful piece of property on Quality Hill last week. Price $13....Mr. Zack Jones, of Lexington, was in Paris this week....Mr. Davy T. Howard, of Toledo, Ohio, is visiting his mother....The funeral of Mrs. John Kanidy's daughter was held at the First Baptist Church on Sunday....J. C. Gatewood is in Cincinnati this week, buying spring goods.

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AT LIBERTY.

F. Miller, violin, trombone or clarinet, 909 South Joliet street, Joliet, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Of Mr. James Hooks, contortionist and baseball player. Last heard of in Springfield, Mo. Information leading to his whereabouts will be gladly received by his mother, Mrs. Ella Washington, 2716 P. O. street, Galveston, Texas.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Of the whereabouts of Fred and James Gannon. When last heard of were working at the Wilkins Cafe, New York City, and at Muscogee, Okla. Since the death of Mrs. Mollie Gannon, their mother, they are wanted by their sisters, Almeta and Georgia Mae, who reside at 110 Runnells street, Dallas, Texas. Wire or write.

ROUTE.

WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY CO.—Decatur, Ind., April 4, 5, 6; Bluffton, 7, 8, 9.

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S. H. DUDLEY, IN "HIS HONOR, THE BARBER"—Newark, N. J., week of April 4.

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LETTER LIST.

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Banks, Jesse
Bowen, Howard
Paul and Mamie Carter
Davis, Prof. Lumford
Eldredge, W. L.
Edmondson, B. E.
Fisher, Lonnie R.
Ferris, Bismark
Freeman, F.
Grigsby, Norris
Grayson, Frank
Hamilton, J. W.
Holden, V. P.
Henderson, Lee
Hill, Arthur
Imne, G. W.
Jones, Rastus
Leo, E. Dube
Langford, Willie
Bros, Lacey
Miller, Joe
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Meadley, Frank
Vassar, M. B.
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"LINDY DEAH."

(To Miss Hallie Dean, Whitney Musical omedy Company.)

Come on ovah to lovelan',
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.
Lemme reach an' tip yo' han',
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah;
Whar de skies am evah blue
  An' de flowahs drenched wid dew,
Seem 'tis allus bloomin' fer you',
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.

Can't yo' see de night am fallin',
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah?
An' de night bird am a-callin',
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah;
Callin' fer his lil' mate
  Lak he couldn't ha'dly wait,
An' Ise in de berry same state,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.

My, Ise tickled 'cause you's heah,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.
Don't yo' evah hab a fear,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.
I'se a cabin all bran new
  Dat I thinks will sho'ly do
Fer just a pa'ty of two,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.

Yo' a-smilin' lak you's happy,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.
Guess Ah'll go and axe yo' pappy,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.
Ain't no use, fer hits all right;
  Lordy, but I'se a-fellin' light;
  You' an angel in ma sight,
  Lindy deah, Lindy deah.

W. D. Davenport sends best regards to P. G. Lowery and bunch.

Tim Owsley, the big comedian, continues ill at his home in Muskingum street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Miss Orma Crosby and company have gone on a 900-mile trip to Port Arthur and Fort William, Ontario. She sends regards to all friends.

John Juniper, of the team of Juniper & Carrington, has recovered from a recent illness and has resumed work again. They were at the Howard Theatre, Boston, last week.

A GREAT JUGGLER IS THAT MAN ROWLAND

Says He Is One of Dexterity and Quick Judgment.

Rowland, the brain-storm juggler, played the Orpheum Theatre, Easton, Pa., last week, where he was a big hit. He is now playing the Wilson & Vincent time and is playing at the Orpheum Theatre, Allentown, Pa., this week. While at Easton a local paper of wide circulation had the following to say of his act:

"Juggling is science as well as an art, whether it is juggling with finances, codfish, cannon or billiard balls. It takes a man of considerable dexterity and quick judgment to become a good juggler, to say nothing of the years of constant practice it requires to reach perfection. Rowland, the "Brainstorm Juggler," who is appearing at the Orpheum this week, is about the best exponent of that class of entertainment seen here in a long time. He is as quick as a cat and keeps billiard balls, apples, cigar boxes, dishes and other objects going through the air at a rapid rate. He throws cannon balls in the air and dodges them in their descent in such a way that he seems 'bewitched.' They come so close to his head that it almost parts his hair. His comedy is a riot, and he is a real entertainer, that's sure."

LA SHE SUCCEEDS WITH NEW SONG.

The marvelous La She writes in behalf of Davis & McHall, that he has been successful in placing their new song hit, "A Stalling Coon," with such people as Deas, Reed & Deas, Henderson & Thomas, the McCarvers, Caldwell & Henry, George Taylor, the Princes, Junk Edwards, Kelly & Catlin, Monroe Campbell, Edward Tolliver and others. The song can be had by addressing Davis & McHall at 1221 Fourth street, Superior, Wis.

BERT WILLIAMS AT HAMMERSTEIN'S.

Bert A. Williams, late star of "Mr. Lode of Koal Company," and formerly of Williams & Walker, began a two weeks' engagement Monday at Hammerstein's Victoria Theatre, New York. His contract calls for a salary exceeding $1,000 a week, and he will be the topliner of both bills. It is said that Mr. Williams is showing an unusual amount of business tact in this instance, as he is receiving a larger salary this year than he did last.

NEW ORLEANS IS AFTER TEXAS.

To Texas Managers, Captains and Owners:

New Orleans has enough material to fill out the State League twice. Get busy, you Texas managers. Here's a few tips for you, and it is not just paper talk, but knowledge from what I have witnessed.

John (Sheridan) Brooks, pitcher, the "Cy Young of Negro baseball in the South." Walter Evans, utility, a heavy man at the bat in the nick of time. Geo. Keelin, first base and also a catcher among catchers, formerly with the N. O.'s. Bud Wilson, who played center garden for the Eagles and never let grass grow too high. Zuzer, catcher for New Orleans, and a good pinch hitter. There is a lot more, too numerous to mention. Get busy, you Texas managers.

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STRONG SHOW AT CHARLESTON.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 1.—The Maceo Vaudeville Theatre Circuit, as before stated, is the pioneer colored vaudeville circuit of the South and is endorsed by and we have the patronage of the very best class among the colored people in the cities in which our theatres are located. At this time we have a very strong show on at the Charleston house. One of the main features of this week's attractions is the famous old-time Negro minstrel, Billy Kersands, and wife, Louise. They are supported by an excellent company consisting of the following players, who are all first class artists in every respect: Gus E. Butler; Kid Owens, who as a buck and wing dancer has but few equals; Carrie Nugent, who also dances in a most pleasing and charming manner; Effie Lawyer, Isaac Grant and the noted Pauline Crampton, one of vaudeville's finest.

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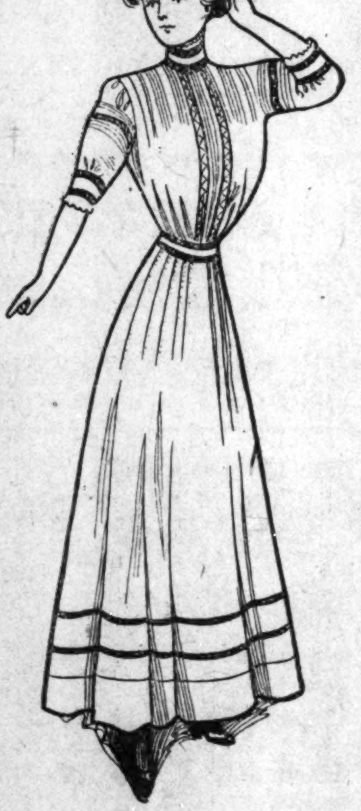
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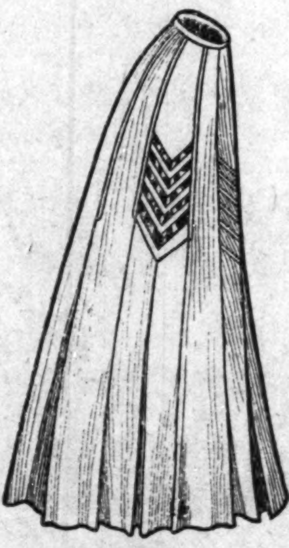
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Joseph Clark, Jr., the well-known manager of the Taft Theatre at Louisville, Ky., as well as playwright, producer and stage director, has been engaged by Mr. S. H. Dudley as stage manager of his All-Star Negro Minstrels, which is to tour the South and West next season. Mr. Clark has had a great deal of experience in staging all kinds of productions, and the selection of Mr. Clark by Mr. Dudley shows excellent business ability possessed by the great comedian when it comes to knowledge of the theatrical business. Mr. Clark sends regards to S. T. Dunmore, Clark brothers and all of his many friends in and out of the profession.

ATTACKS KANSAS JACK JOHNSON.

Yes, I presume we have all seen sore heads and cranks of the old woman order before now. I am not criticising nor am I objecting to any publication, and for this reason I won't have to go to Kansas City to face Manager Jack Johnson, but will see him on his arrival in New Orleans; if not then, I certainly will see him at the game between the Kansas City Giants and New Orleans. Will say that I perhaps may be able to see a sore head once more in life. And to think on Easter Sunday, why it will be more than sore.

Best wishes, and may success be yours, Manager Johnson.

Bear in mind that the only George D. Robertson is still with the New Orleans team.

Yours with respect,
J. EDWARD LOOMIS,

527 S. Roman St.

THE SAMPSONS MAKE A HIT IN OLIO

Since Leaving the Black Bee Company Recently.

Sampson & Sampson, formerly of the Black Bee company, are making a big hit throughout the state of Ohio in their own new comedy act, entitled "Moving Day in Jungle Town." Eva Simpson, the "creole spark," takes the audience by storm when she sings "Shaky Eyes." There is an uproar of laughter created when Sampson sings "Just Ease Me Plenty of Ice When I Leave This World." The performance closes with a brand new musical comedy act. They play the Arcade Theater, Toledo, O., March 28.

JONES, GRANTS AND JONES REUNITED

Will Take to the Road in Burlesque Next Season.

Irving and Sadie Jones and Bert and Bertha Grant, known to the stage world as the original Jones, Grant and Jones, have reunited and will go into burlesque the coming season. The announcement of this quartet coming together once more met the popular sentiment of everybody with a handclap of accord. In past years they pleased so many thousands of critical theatre-goers that when they separated about everybody regretted it and called it a grave mistake. And it proved to be one. The public will gladly welcome them back to the limelight as the original Jones, Grants & Jones. They may be addressed at 2956 Dearborn street, Chicago.

HOW AN ACTOR FARES IN FRANCE

Billy McClain Writes Interesting Letter from Gay Paris.

Paris, France, January 25, 1910.

Mr. Elwood C. Knox,
Business Manager The Freeman,
Indianapolis, Ind., U. S. A.

Dear Sir—In writing you today this leaves me and all concerned in my welfare O. K., and trust that you and yours are the same. Sam McVey fights Saturday night (tomorrow), and I am his second, as I have always been. His opponent is Al Kubiack. I am the ballet master here and am very busy rehearsing for a big production. I have three Americans in the production, namely Ethel Levy, Theodora Girad and Edward Latel.

Well, old man, I am representing the race and I am proud to say that I am the only Negro that has risen to such a position in the history of the show business and foreign tongue. It only goes to show you what can be done where prejudice does not exist.

But I tell you what. Yankees over here will put a knife in a colored man's back every time they get a chance, which, if the colored man proves to be right and makes them out a liar, then the public hates them the more for it. I will admit there are only two race men over here, and Sam McVey is one, and you can guess the other one. I met Harry Kraton. He was on the bill here at my theatre, and he seems to be a very sensible chap. Please remember me to all inquiring friends.

Yours as ever,
BILLY McCLAIN.

Olympia, Paris, France.

THE GALLERY GOD SEES MURPHY AND FRANCIS.

The team of Murphy and Francis played at the olonial Theatre here last week, and like a tornado swept everything that came before them. This pair is the first of color to capture an audience and hold their own throughout the week. Seemingly the class of theatre goers that attend performances at this house are unusually cold toward the average colored act, but this chilliness was done away with when Murphy and Francis appeared on the scene. They made the climate real pleasant for themselves and ever kept it so. They showed us that we had not seen a real artistic colored vaudeville act until their coming.

Miss Francis is one of the most vivacious little queens of the stage we have ever had occasion to see. She is so little, nimble and chipper that we wonder if she ever had her equal anywhere. What strikes your fancy in a very strong sense is her real naturalness of doing everything in an electrifying way that charms you through and through. When she talks you strain your ears to catch every note, because her way of speaking is indeed musical. Her conversation and manner of acting always make a joke the more striking—you seem to laugh longer and louder because she puts that ginger into her work that catches you all over. Then to hear her sing is like hearing a lark upon his morning wing. She don't try to imitate anybody or give you any extra development other than being a singer with a good, clear voice, who leaves thrills and variations alone to sing a plain, soft, sweet note that we who have not studied opera or other heights in music may enjoy.

Miss Frances dances also and dances in no awkward manner; but the only fault we find in her dancing is that she does not do enough of it. The average theatre goer—especially women—think as much of a prettily gowned actress as they do of her acting, and those who saw Miss Frances doubled their admiration for her, for she wears handsome, becoming costumes.

The unimitatable Burt Murphy—the real boy of the old days and the new when it comes to wit and humor. He is a natural-born comedian, and about everything he does proves to be original and prevokes laughter. We have seen many of the topline comedians and have watched closely their line of work, and in most cases each one resembled the other. Not so with Murphy, for he is just Murphy on and off the stage, originally filled with plain happiness and always enjoyable to everybody. He has his way of singing a song, and he has his way of talking and doing things. You couldn't say he is like anyone else, for he is not. For instance he does a grotesque dance that no one could ever imitate without fear of injuring themselves in a very damaging way by falling on your neck as you would if you tried to do the Murphy dance. Murphy does it any time without a smarting of the skin.

Did you ever see him make facial expressions? Always he makes you laugh by even a jesture of his hand. He never resorts to contorsion stunts with his lips to make you laugh, nor does he shout a song to the top of his voice to make you remember that he is yet holding the stage, but rather tries to entertain you through his gift of talents to do so. The people caught on here to his methods and they awarded him for it by giving many encores.

Murphy and Francis are a caution to the young colored actor who has it in his head that slapstick and horse play methods are the kind that are really appreciated by American theatre-goers.

Their act is an assurance of what there is to be gained in training yourself to be a real artist and sticking to it until you accomplish that end.

ATLANTA THEATER ATTRACTS MANY PATRONS

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 31.—The Famous Theatre, Atlanta's only colored theatre, at 124 Decatur street, has a good bill this week. The Crescent Musical Comedy Stock Company, an aggregation of real artists, headed by Messrs. Mallory & Edwards, are holding the boards. They are putting some very classy plays that are drawing large crowds. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Porter recently joined the Crescent company and are making many friends because of their superior ability as performers. Those who stand out prominently in the cast as clever supporters to Messrs. Mallory and Edwards are Misses Rosa Groves, Nellie Nelson, Alberta Smiley and Mr. Harkins. The bunch sends regards to all in and out of the profession.

CUBANOLA TRIO MAKE GREAT HIT

Gallery God Sees Miss Laura Bailey's Act.

Alberta Pieper, Grace Hoyt and Laura Bailey, who are known in vaudeville as the Cubanola Trio, appeared here last week at the Majestic Theatre.

Talk about sure enough good singing and clever dancing! The Majestic audiences feasted on melody and dance during the stay of the Cubanola Trio. It seemed that the performance fairly dragged and chilled everybody there until the coming of the trio. They made tehir first entrance singing "Mexico" in a way that brought every one from their slumbers and relieved them of their chill. The moment the first chord was reached by the trio I settled in my seat, feeling satisfied that three real artists were before me. As to costume, I saw something that greatly surprised me, because it was an important feature that most stage women neglect. They had seen to it that the dressing of their feet be in accord with their costumes, and furthermore as neat in appearance as any other part of their makeup.

When the song "Mexico" had been sung several times on account of repeated encores, the scene was shifted to a pretty African scene, where a catchy Zulu song was sung by Miss Bailey, who has a bewitching, melodious voice that at once catches the spirit of your feelings and commands you to applaud. The costumes were in keeping with the scene in every particular, and aroused much favorable comment. In the chorus of the Zulu song one could detect close harmony being made by three well-trained voices that rose in great splendor and thrilled you to the marrow. The team was called back time and time again without the slightest disposition on the part of the audience to grow tired, and no one could blame them either. When I had concluded that the Zulu song was final (because it was good enough to wind up any first-class act on any circuit), I was dumbfounded when the scene, in an instant, was changed to an Indian camp. The Indian camp was a marvelous stage picture, and I at once began to figure out just what a costly act the Cubanola Trio is.

We have seen many acts that we thought were superb in this line, but we have discovered that they lacked a great deal after seeing this one when it comes to costume, especially song, theme and stage business. The Cubanolas were clad unlike the average stage Indians, for they approached the realistic. Their gestures were much like those of the wily red race, and the chorus of the song gave action that was certainly produced in a clever way at the right time and the right place.

Miss Laura Bailey, owner and manager of this wonderful little act, has shown marked ability in putting before the public such an enjoyabl eentertainment. She has shown us what a woman can do without the aid of a male member. I felt proud at seeing such artistic feats of entertainment being gone through by three of our own fair sex and applauded by 1500 members of the other race. In closing I might say with Garcia, "El Capitana, Cubanola! Glide on, glide on, Cubanola! Glide on!

BATTLING VAN DUKE SHOWS GOOD FORM

Climbing Very Rapidly in the Fistic Arena.

Van DakeHeyser, well known as Battling Van Dake, is a very promising young lightweight of this city, who is fast forging to the front. Van Dake met Kid Porter at the Dillion Club last Monday night, where it is claimed he hung one over on the Kid in fine style. The same men met at the Indianapolis Owl Athletic Club February 8. Scipio Williams was the referee, and you ought to hear what Mr. Williams says of Van Dake. The Battler can do from 122 to 133 pounds, and is anxious to meet any man of his weight at any time. This office or 1103 North Fayette street, Indianapolis, can be addressed by those desiring communicatoin with Heyser.

MAY THE BEST MAN WIN, SAYS JOHNSON

Champion Makes Brief but Eloquent Speech at St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 1.—One day quite a while ago Teddy Roosevelt struck a little lumber town out West at Puget sound and made a speech. It wasn't much of a speech, but the 30,000 people who had crowded to see him almost mobbed him in an effort to shake his hand. He said:

"This is a beautiful country you have here, a beautiful valley, a beautiful sea coast, and when I think of the amount of timber on your hills tributary to this beautiful city, I am astonished—upon my word, I am astonished. Good night and good luck."

Jack Johnson made a speech last night, and it was even shorter than Teddy's. It occurred at Tschida's Hall and was made to most of the colored residents of St. Paul. Lil' Artha', although he said less than the great African lion hunter, was received with even greater acclaim. He said:

"When that great battle occurs on the Fourth of July next, may the best man win. Good night and good luck."

When Teddy made his speech some irresponsible Democrat in the rear ranks hollered, "Hurrah for Bryan," and it took two police ambulances and a stretcher to take him to the city hospital. Some irresponsible little pickaninny last night hollered "Hurrah for Jeffries," and it was only his color that saved him from assassination.

All Eyes Watch for Champion.

The crowd was restless until the champion arrived at the hall last night. They would "glide, glide, keep on a gliding," as the music willed, but all of the time they kept their eyes on the door, and the arrival of Jack Johnson was the signal for an ovation that ought to live a long time in the memory of the magnificent torsoed, spindle-shanked champion. He smiled his golden smile, and his admirers waltzed in a long line past him and his wife and shook both of their hands.

The black champion didn't indulge in any bombastic statements regarding himself, even while among people of his own color. His remarks were as carefully calculated as those of any politician, but the mere fact that he was among them was enough to stir all to the wildest height of enthusiasm.

Among the ministers present were Rev. J. M. Boddy of the Zion Presbyterian Church, Rev. H. S. Graves of the St. James M. E. and Rev. B. McDonald of the Pilgrim Paptist Church.

Champions's Diamonds Unrivaled.

J. R. White, master of the I. X. L. colored band, had the honor of introducing the champion.

Jack Johnson, his wife, and his white manager were the only ones necessary to add the needed eclat to the scheme of things. Jack's diamonds entirely eclipsed those worn by any one present. Jack's clothes were modest, though.

Johnson's wife was the center of much interest. Her fingers resembled the side of the mountain above Cascade tunnel after a big thaw and some landslide. It might have been possible to count the diamond rings, but it would have taken patience and smoked glass.

TO HENRY O. TANNER, NEGRO PAINTER.

(Written Expressly for The Freeman by Milton Pope Fuller.)

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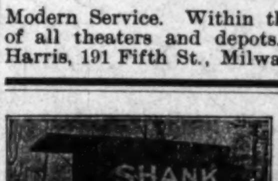

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BY HAROLD C. McGATH.

ALL AGENTS TAKE NOTICE.

You are requested to interest the members of the ball clubs of your city in our special sporting number to be issued April 16. We want you to secure all write-ups of ball players, fans and everybody interested in the great game. Consult us about the making of your cut. We want your picture to appear in this number, and it will cost you a very small sum to place it in the big edition. Agents, let us hear from you. Get your orders in early; and now is the time.

WEST BADEN SPRUDELS READY.

The West Baden (Ind.) Sprudels are ready for booking and would like to hear from all first-class teams. Address all mail to Edward Rogers, West Baden, Ind.

COLORED JOCKEY'S BIG SALARY.

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 31.—James Winkfield, the colored Lexington jockey, has signed to ride for an Austrian count at $8,000 a year. Winkfield has been riding for a Russian nobleman for several years at $6,000 a year.

WANTS ADDRESSES OF BIG BALL CLUBS.

Mr. B. E. Rogers of 335 East Grand avenue, Beloit, Wis., writes that he wants to hear from the managers of the best ball clubs in the country, especially those of good, live towns.

ACTOR ENTERED IN BIG MEET.

William Robinson, formerly of the well-known team of Cooper & Robinson, is entered in the indoor handicap athletic meet to be given by a company of Coast Artillery Corps at M. V. M. soon, to be given at Boston, Mass., at the South Armory, in 75 yards dash, 440 yards, 1 mile, and 880 yards dash.

FOSTER GOES WITH KANSAS GIANTS.

The Kansas City (Kan.) Giants have secured Charles Foster, of Birmingham, Ala., and will play first base. Mr. Tobe Smith considers Foster one of the best in the business and thinks he has captured a prize.

HEAD TO CAPTAIN PADUCAH TEAM.

Paul Head, who has been captain of the Paducah (Ky.) club for the past four seasons, has been retained. He has been a successful player with that club ever since he has been connected with it. He has the reputation of being one of the best outfielders in the South.

FLORIDA TEAM TO THE FRONT.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

PENSACOLA, Fla., March 26.—The Pensacola (Fla.) baseball team is putting on the finishing touches. Mr. Goldsticker is working very hard to get his boys in shape. They will have some of the best players in the country and expect to win every game they play.

BOWLING GREEN WILL PLAY BALL.

The Bowling Green Academy boys are now ready to play any team. Any club desiring dates will please notify Dr. C. P. McLurkin, athletic manager. The Park City Grays have organized for the season and are also ready to play any team. Address all communications to Charles Wilson, 240 Chestnut street, Bowling Green, Ky.

THE FAMOUS A. B. C.'S GETTING IN SHAPE.

The Indianapolis A. B. C.'s baseball club, Ran Butler's clever boys, who have won fame for this city for the last four or five years, are fast rounding into shape. There are some new faces to be seen in the lineup this season that will surely surprise everybody when it comes to clever ball tossing. The team has been doing a great amount o fpracticing in the last three or four weeks. Higbee, the lad who won a great number of the victories for the A. B. C.'s last season, will remain on the pitching staff.

NEW MANAGER FOR OKLAHOMA MONARCHS

Western Team Soon to Be in Playing Condition.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., March 25.—George Donald, the former shortstop of the Birmingham (Ala.) Giants, has taken charge of the Oklahoma Monarchs, and is getting the team in first-class condition for playing.

NEW ORLEANS BOYS ARE NOW TRAINING

Getting Ready for a Hot Season on the Diamond.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Special.—Frank Polamto's New Orleans colored baseball team is going through a "sweat-down" of training with all hands on deck. Everybody is working hard to, make good. This club will be open for dates from May 1. and desires to hear from all clubs. Please address Charles Stevens, the manager, who is now with this team, at 8838 Oak street, New Orleans, La.

COLORED MEN TO TAKE BIG SPECIAL TO FIGHT.

Owing to the great amount of interest that has been created over the approaching fight for the heavyweight championship of the world between John Arthur Johnson and James J. Jeffries, Messrs. John Christian and Benjamin E. Simons will run a "transcontinental special" train to the scene of the fight. This train will start from New York City on or about June 25, stopping and receiving passengers at Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburg, Buffalo, Cleveland, Chicago, Cincinnati, Detroit, Columbus, Toledo, St. Louis and Kansas City. There will be a baggage and dining car, standard Pullman sleeping cars and observation buffet car, and other luxuries, which will be thoroughly explained later through the advertising departments of the railroad companies. This will be the first Negro special across the continent managed by Negroes.

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ALBERT TONEY SIGNS UP.

Albert Toney has signed up with the Kansas City Royal Giants and has reported for duty. Toney is a former member of the Louisville Cubs and is known as one of the best all-round ball players that Louisville has ever had. He played centerfield with the Cubs and ranked as one of the best in the business. He is a great swatter and some more runner. He is known wherever baseball is played. His permanent address is 1123 Eighth street, Louisville, Ky., from where he sends regards to all baseball friends and fans.

OMAHA TO HAVE HIGH-SALARIED CLUB.

OMAHA, Neb.—Special.—There is being organized here a strong baseball club that will be of the high-salaried order, and it will be under the management of A. Graham, once catcher of the Page Fence Giants, Cuban X Giants and Michigan State League. He is a home boy and has the people of this ctiy with him. It will be the aim of Manager Graham to place a first-class team in Omaha.

Note—If Manager Graham would write Add Sankford, 1731 Seventh street, Oakland, Cal., concerning his desires, he may be able to accommodate him. Also try David Wyatt, 308 Church street, Hot Springs, Ark.

SAYS LOUISVILLE CUBS ARE THE GOODS.

Mr. John Lewis, president of the Louisville Cubs, writes:

"I am new to the sporting public and also new to some of my players; but if what I have heard about the youngsters that I have signed for 1910 is true, the fans may look for some stiff battles from start to finish. Hoping an early reply from all first-class teams who wish open dates or games when passing through Louisville, I ask that they address Manager James Stringer at 124 West Green street."

TEXAS LADS PLAY BALL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

HOUSTON, Tex., March 25.—Baseball is on the boom here. Mr. E. S. King, manager of the Flyaways, has the preference to the Athletic Par kwhen the white league teams are on the road, and for dates address him at 1420 29th street. Mr. P. L. Mitchell, manager of the Regulars, of Houston, Tex., was here last Sunday. While here he purchased uniforms for his club. The Regulars will play at the West End Park when in Houston. Among his pitching staff is Julius London, who was star last year on the St. Paul Gopher team.

PORTLAND STARS REORGANIZE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Portland Stars have reorganized for the coming season through the efforts of the famous Falkner brothers, and they have secured the best talent available, and are now ready for engagements. Address Robert alkner, manager, 3410 Bank street, Louisville, Ky. They are especially anxious for a game with the West Baden Sprudels and the Louisville Cubs. Their lineup is as follows: Edward and Robert Falkner, pitchers; A. Spencer, catcher; S. Whitlock, first base; D. Faulkner, second base; N. Rodgers, shortstop; R. Jackson, third base; F. Morsee, left field; A. Monroe, centerfield; R. Hodgens, right field; Robert Faulkner, manager, and Walter Rogers, captain.

SEELBACH HOTEL IS CHALLENGED.

In what we consider that the proud boys of the Seelbach Hotel of Louisville, Ky., should pay particular attention to, is the following baseball challenge issued by the Grand Hotel Cubs of Indianapolis:

"Indianapolis, Ind., March 18, 1910.

"Captain Bell Boys,
"Seelbach Hotel,
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"Dear Sir—We take this opportunity to challenge you for a game of baseball at any open dates. Let me hear from you.

"Yours truly,
"C. W. GREEN,
"Manager. Grand Hotel Cubs.
"Grand Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind."

WALKER AND FLETCHER GO FOUR ROUNDS

Georgia Has the Fight Fever in Bad Form.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

COLUMBUS, Ga., March 26.—Zemeriah Walker and Tom Fletcher went four rounds here and N. A. Ledbetter and Jim Dailey, from Brooklyn, N. Y., also fought in a ten-round contest at Webster Hall to a large audience last night. Walker is making his training quarters at the Y. M. C. A. and attracts much attention regularly. Glove contests are the go here each week between white and colored boxers. Zemeriah Walker can be reached at No. 19 Tenth street.

GOODMAN DECIDES TO FIGHT MACK

After Long Delay an Agreement Has Been Reached.

(By Edgar Preston.)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 31.—At a private meeting here at the Afro-American Athletic Association, arrangements were made for the Mack-Goodman bout, which has been the talk of the sporting fraternity for quite a while.

At one time Goodman refused to take up any challenge here, saying that he expected an offer from some of the Central States middleweights or else he would leave the mat. Since then something must surely have happened, for Goodman now offers to meet Battling Mack. When asked about it, he stated that he had no objections to meeting the Battler.

WITH BASEBALL CLUBS AND PLAYERS.

The Mobile (Ala.) Baseball Club is busy practicing for the coming great series with the Leland Giants.

Mr. R. Clemmons will have charge of the Dixie Park baseball ground this season, he reports, and he is receiving a large number of engagements for the coming season.

The Bonham (Texas) Hard Hitters are now ready to cross bats with every amaamateur team in the state. Harry Fisher is manager.

The Louisville Cubs would like to hear from the Royal Giants, Leland Giants and the Chicago Leland Giants. Address James Stringer, 124 West Green street, Louisville, Ky.

Get your news ready for the big baseball extra to be issued April 16. Write us what you think of the championship for 1910.

OUR WOMEN TO PLAY BASEBALL.

A St. Louis Club to Start the Field a-Going.

It looks as if the colored women are to take the great American game—baseball—into their own hands if we don't get better and organize a union to keep them out. St. Louis magnates are the first to start this new event in history. Mr. Conrad Kuebler, who has been interested in the game for many years in a financial and progressive way, has taken up the new project. Mr. Kuebler, it will be remembered, has ever been the staunch advocate for the promotion of league ball among colored clubs. He has gotten together some of the best women players in the country—ladies who know how to handle the sphere in the most scientific manner. The team will be known as the St. Louis Black Broncho Female Baseball Club and will be composed of eight of the very cleverest women players obtainable, and with them will be four men. This club ought to be a great attraction for everybody, as it is something new and novel in its line. They are now open for dates and managers should write them at 3133 Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.

OUR BIG BASEBALL NUMBER!

If You Are a Wise Sport You Will Not Miss Getting in the Special Baseball Number.

Every owner, manager, player and fan of baseball in the country should not miss the big special extra baseball number of THE FREEMAN to be issued April 16, 1910. It will be the event of the season in athletic circles. Every baseball club of any consequence will have a special write-up with pictures in this number. We have eighth round of a fight that was scheduled to go forty-five rounds at the old Jeffries arena here today.

The knockout was not a clean one, the upper cut which Langford delivered with his left hand merely accelerating Flynn's fall after he had missed a right swing at Langford's jaw and lost his balance. some space left open for the next ten days that we offer at a reduced rate to all ball clubs and players for appearance in the Special Number. For single column cuts with short write-ups, $4.00 and double column, $10.00. For group pictures, where at least a half dozen persons appear, we will make a superb quality halftone cut and run it in with the write-up at 50 cents a head. You should take advantage of this opportunity right away as there are only a few more days left before the closing of our forms for the special number.

JACK JOHNSON MAKES HIS OWN PLEA

Slaps His Hand Over His Lawyer's Mouth.

When Jack Johnson was arrested last week in New York by order of Judge Mulqueen of the Court of General Sessions by reason of an indictment charging him with assault in the second degree for having belabored one Norman Pindar with a chair, a very funny incident happened.

When they—Jack and his lawyer—went before Judge Mulqueen, Nugent asked for a dismissal on the ground that there was no case and no complaining witness. Pindar, the punched person, was not around. This seemed to irritate Judge Mulqueen, who intimated that he had heard that Pinder and two women witnesses had been spirited away and hinted at a conspiracy.

"I won't permit any juggling with the machinery of justice," said the court, and I'll hold you in $5,000 bail until the district attorney can make a complete investigation of the unusual circumstances in this case."

JACK JOHNSON AS A PREACHER

JOHNSON MAKES PERSONAL PLEA.

"Youah Honah," said Johnson, "I have $3,000 cash in my pocket. Won't you accept that as bail?"

"No," said the judge. "I must have real estate bail."

Johnson looked worried. He and Nugent had a whispered session and the lawyer ventured to remark that the amount of bail was out of proportion to the crime. But the judge wouldn't give way and Johnson was marched off to the Tombs.

There he was put in a steel-clad cell—No. 128 on the second tier. Nugent scurried around to get a bondsman and after four hours he succeeded. One Patsy Dunning of No. 1405 Second avenue came to the front with four lots on Avenue Q and East Ninth street, Flatbush.

The judge ordered Johnson brought before him and was about to discharge him on bail when District Attorney Whitman cut in with this remark: "Your Honor, I don't like this bond. It is not Manhattan real estate and is unimproved — simply four Flatbush lots.

Then the judge suggested that Johnson had offered $3,000 cash bail earlier in the day and that it might be accepted.

Johnson looked uneasy. Lawyer Nugent started to address the court, when suddenly the big Negro clapped his left hand over the lawyer's mouth, forcing him back to his chair.

"Youah Honah," said the fighter, "when I came to court this morning I had that theah $3,000 with me. I tole you no lie. Now I have only $2500—the rest went for legal expenses. I don't know anything about this yeah Pinder's whereabouts, I assuah you, judge."

The sincerity of the big fellow caused the judge to give in, and he decided to accept the Flatbush security.

WEST POINT BASEBALL TEAM REORGANIZES.

The Cavalry Detachment Baseball Team, West Point, N. Y., having reorganized for the season 1910, stands open for engagements with colored teams of good standing for games to be played at home or abroad. Address First Sergeant Melvin McCaw, Cavalry Detachment, West Point, N. Y.

FIGHTER IS A CONTORTIONIST OF PROMISE

Clever Van Duke Is a Tough Proposition.

Some few days ago Battling Van Duke, the well-known fighter, was seated in a cigar store, where a large majority of the sporting fraternity frequent, when in marched several smart chaps. In the right hand of one was a heavy strip of lead. Shortly afterward a wager was made that not a man in the house could bend it, let alone break it. As it looked easy to all except one, that it could be done, everyone was for betting, and "they put it on very thick and heavy." The piece of lead was passed around until every one had tried it and failed. Finally the mighty Van Duke entered the contest and made short work of it by breaking it without the least effort, as it seemed. Then, just to show those smart chaps, he took an iron poker and, by rapping the muscles of his strong right several good licks, he bent the iron poker to a circular shape and he laughed as he did so. Maybe there wasn't some surprise in the crowd that day! Everybody there said he was just the man to defeat Jeffries in less than five rounds.

FALLS CITY STARS SECURE GREAT PLAYER

Again Challenge the Louisville Cubs For Games.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 25.—The management of the Louisville Cubs has secured the services of Prof. Beck of the Knoxville (Tenn.) high school, to play field and pitch. He is a great ball player and a credit to his race. Mr. Beck will coach the high school team until school closes, when he will join the Cubs.

In Rose, Zimmerman and Sauciers this team has three great ball players. The talk has been going the rounds concerning the Cubs refusing to play the Stars a series of three, five or seven games, because they claimed the championship of the South. This refusal came about, it is said, through one Mr. Reccius (white), who is president and booking agent. Mr. S. R. Gibbs, manager of the Falls City Stars, said when interviewed concerning the affair: "I claim no one can be champion who will not play all worthy opponents. We do not mean to fight anyone and would like to be in harmony with all, but as the public is clamoring for the Cubs to meet us, we think it fair that it should oblige the public's demand."

ST. LOUIS TO OPEN SEASON WITH LOUISVILLE.

The first important game of the season to be played at St. Louis, Mo., Sunday, April 10, at Kuebler's Park between St. Louis and Louisville. The game is called at 3:00 p. m. There will be a street parade, starting from the Missouri Club, at 11 a. m. A feature of the game will be the pitching of Chief Floyd Ross for the St. Louis Giants. He is head of the Southwestern Division of the True Reformers.

LELAND'S CHICAGO GIANTS ON TOUR

Champions Begin a Great Season of Baseball.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 21.—The Frank Lelands Chicago Giants will leave for their Southern tour Tuesday, March 22, to be gone until April 29, with one of the best lineups in the league. This season promises great things in the baseball world for the fans, and they are waiting impatiently to see the beginning of the battle. While the tour of the Giants will be short, many interesting games will be played. The Freeman will print each week the outcome of these games and keep the public informed as to the condition of the teams until their return to play the Jiggs-Donahue Red Socks for the City League championship, which promises to be one of the best games at Auburn Park this season. By the way, Chicago in baseball, like in a great many other things, is the leader, in that it is the foremost in paid admission to its parks, and enjoys the honor of being the only city in the United States that has a big league within its borders under the protection of the national commission.

The players of the Chicago League draw salaries equaling the eastern, western and southern leagues or the American Association. The league has six well-located parks and a population of over 3,000,000 people to draw from, being more population than the sixteen cities of the American Association and Eastern League. The American Association cities are Montreal and Toronto, Canada, Buffalo, N. Y., Syracuse, N. Y., Rochester, N. Y., Newark, N. J., Jersey City, N. J., and Baltimore, Md. The American Association comprises Louisville, Ky., Indianapolis, Ind., St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn., Kansas City, Mo., Columbus and Toledo, O., and Milwaukee, Wis.

The Chicago League, during the season of 1909, outdrew either of the above leagues in a schedule of 40 games; the six clubs drew 161,122 paid admissions, an average of 1,506 per game. The Chicago League has to pay the smallest mileage of any league in the United States, only street car transportation to and from the different parks in Chicago being necessary.

The Chicago league is the only city league in the United States whose players are under national protection, and Leland's Chicago Giants enjoys the distinction of being the only colored club in the United States playing in a league under the same protection.

The club owners holding franchises in the Chicago League are mostly men from the ranks of the major league clubs who took advantage of the opportunities offered them, and are now doing better managing their respective clubs in Chicago than they could have done had they remained in the major league. The membership of the Chicago League is as follows:

Logan Square Park—Milwaukee avenue and Diversey street; Jas. J. Callahan, manager.

Donahue Red Sox Park—61st street and St. Lawrence avenue; Jiggs Donahue, manager.

Leland's Chicago Giants Park—79th street and Wentworth avenue; Frank C. Leland, manager.

Rogers Park—Clark street and Devon avenue; Jas. Ryan, manager.

West Ends Park—West Madison street and 48th avenue; Frank McNichols, manager.

Spalding's—Robt. L. Welch, manager; 149 Wabash avenue.

The schedule for the Frank Leland Chicago Giants, until April 29, is as follows:

Team comprising fifteen members in charge of Major R. R. Jackson, will leave Chicago March 22, and will play in the following cities:

Ft. Worth, Tex., Hillsboro, Tex., New Orleans, La., Mobile, Ala., Pensacola, Fla., Birmingham, Ala., Montgomery, Ala., Holly Springs, Miss., Memphis, Tenn., Jackson, Tenn., Paducah, Ky.

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Tenn. Corn (White or Yellow)	2.25	4.25	2.50	6.50	26.00	27.00
RYE WHISKIES—						
Smart Set No. 14	4.50	8.00	5.00	13.50	44.00	46.00
Belmont	3.50	7.00	4.00	10.00	35.00	36.00
Old Milford	3.00	5.75	3.50	9.00	29.00	30.00
Cedar Bluff	2.50	4.75	3.00	8.00	28.00	29.00
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Kelly's Old Private Stock	4.50	8.00	5.00	13.50	46.00	48.00
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	4 Qts.	6 Qts.	9 Qts.	12 Qts.	1 Gal.	2 Gals.
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Bourbon, 100 proof	3.70	5.55	7.40	10.50	3.50	6.75
Rye, 100 proof	3.70	5.55	7.40	10.50	3.50	6.75
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CITY AND SOCIETY.

GET THE HABIT.

Read The Freeman—Religious, Political, Stage, Sport, and all other news. On sale at your news dealer or agent every Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Johnson left Thursday for Detroit, Mich., for permanent residence.

Messrs. R. V. Fortson and Mack Wheeler, of Terre Haute, Ind., were in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker, of West Tenth street, leave to-day for permanent residence at Columbus, O.

Edward Gaillard, of Stewart and Gaillard, the tailors, continues ill at his home in East Vermont street.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Byron Shelton, of New York City, were in the city this week, the guests of friends and relatives.

Rev. J. Francis Robinson will occupy the pulpit at the morning and evening services at Simpson Chapel, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary E. Cable left Friday night for Boston, Mass., to spend a week with her son Theodore, who is attending school there.

There will be a pastor's rally at Wayman Chapel, Sunday. Revs. Callis and Sampson and their congregations will be in attendance.

Everett Russell Bailey, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Bailey, of this city, will graduate from the Meharry Medical College at Nashville, Tenn., April 14.

The remains of Robert Moody, the well-known hotel man, who died in Detroit, Mich., were interred in Crown Hill Cemetery, Tuesday. His wife, who accompanied them, returned to her home in Detroit after the funeral services.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brazzleton and grandchildren, Lizzie May and Hershel White, of Muncie, were the guests of Mrs. Ora White, of Lewis street, Sunday, also the guests of their sister and niece, Mrs. Jennie Smith and Zelma B. Frisby, of 622 Roanoke street. They returned home Tuesday morning.

BETHEL CHURCH.

Dr. Smythe will preach to-morrow at 10:30 a. m.; subject, "A Wayside Conversation and Some Results; 7:30 p. m., a sermon will be preached to the Daughters of Charity. The fourth "pleasant Sunday afternoon" will be held at 3:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

PLACE FOR PLEASURE SEEKERS.

Messrs. Page and Williams have opened a first-class saloon and lunch room at the Northwestern Baseball Park, and will be a first-class road house and cafe for colored pleasure seekers and baseball fans. A brass band and cut flowers will serve as entertainment and souvenirs to those who attend the game between the T. T.'s and the A. B. C. baseball clubs Sunday and visit Messrs. Page and Williams' place. First-class goods, first-class service at a moderate price, is what they offer. Give them a trial.

A NEW PLAYHOUSE.

The Columbia Theater, located at 531 Indiana avenue, will open to the public Saturday April 2, 1910. This unique little playhouse is owned by two of Indianapolis' energetic young colored men, the Messrs. Hill, and they employ all colored help. It is neat, clean and very well appointed. A nice, clean picture will be shown, and the management caters especially to women and children. The show and theater will be conducted in a No. 1 way, and good order and a good show are especially guaranteed. Miss Florence Grigsby, pianist. L. Tish Lee will be the singer at each performance. The best show in the city for 5 cents.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The very best offer that has ever been made by the Colored Y. M. C. A. is the one that is open to the men now. It is called the Free Bath Privilege Campaign, or five dollars' worth for two. Any man paying a two-dollar membership at this time will receive a bath privilege good for one year free, the regular charge for which is three dollars. This splendid offer has been taken advantage of by a great number of men already, but many more can be accommodated. The bathing facilities of the Association are the best in the city; two good showers, with hot and cold water, are always available from 9:30 a. m. to 9:30 p. m. Call and inspect the bathing plant; it will surprise you if you have not seen it. No better way in the summer to keep cool than a nice shower bath. Remember, in order to take advantage of the cheap rate you must attend to it at once. Do it now.

Gymnasium classes are open to all members on Mondays and Fridays of each week from 8 to 9:30 p. m. Come.

The Colored Y. M. C. A. Glee Club has accepted an invitation to sing at the Central Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday, April 6.

Bible classes for men are conducted on Tuesday at 7 p. m. and Sunday at 8 a. m. All men are invited.

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JONES TABERNACLE A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

Rev. Henry J. Callis, Pastor.

The Grand Spring Carnival will open Monday evening at 8 o'clock. There will be a special program every evening. Monday the Y. M. C. A. Glee Club will make its first appearance under the direction of Prof. Robert Austin. Tuesday evening there will be a juvenile drama entitled "Little Shaking Quakers," under the direction of Mrs. Laura Cohen. Wednesday evening a grand literary and musical program will be presented by Prof. S. A. Ratliff. Thursday evening a program by the Junior Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Othello Finley, assisted by her daughter, Miss Edith. Friday evening the drama "Jeptha's Daughter," under the management of Mrs. Belle Street, will be the closing feature.

There will be five splendid dinners served, beginning at 6 o'clock each evening, as follows: Monday evening, Mrs. Addie Brown and committee; Tuesday evening, Mrs. Sarah Woodfork and committee; Wednesday evening, Mrs. Carrie Henderson and committee; Thursday evening, Mrs. Lizzie Owens and committee; Friday evening, Mrs. Kate Frye and committee.

Services on Sunday as usual. In the evening the pastor will deliver a special sermon to the Lincoln Memorial Bible Class. The choir will repeat their Easter music.

EASTER IN THE CITY CHURCHES.

Easter services were held in most all of our city churches last Sunday, which was a perfect spring day as to weather. Special songs and recitations significant of the Eastertide were given by several of the Sunday-schools and Young People's Unions. There were meetings of special attraction held at Tomlinson Hall by the Knights of Pythias, with an appropriate sermon by Rev. Dr. H. J. Callis, of Jones Tabernacle, and another special service was the closing Monster Meeting of the season by the Y. M. C. A. at the Second Baptist Church, with a special address by Bishop George L. Blackwell, D. D., of the A. M. E. Zion connection, who spoke ably and learnedly upon the subject of "Faith, Hope and Charity." The Bishop also preached the Easter sermon for Dr. Callis at the Tabernacle in the morning, which was highly commended by pastor and people as being one of the most powerful and eloquent ever heard in that church. Dr. Blackwell is one of Zion's youngest but pre-eminently the greatest preacher and sermonizer of the bench of bishops of that connection, one of the late Dr. J. C. Price's first graduates from Livingstone College, in eloquence a copy of his old master, at whose feet he sat for four consecutive college terms, and afterwards going to Boston and graduating there high in a large class at the university of that city. He has a great future before him as a bishop in that great church connection. We wish him every success. The Bishop while in the city was the guest of Rev. Mr. Davis, of St. Mark's A. M. E. Zion Church (formerly Walters Chapel). He left the city Thursday morning for Terre Haute, Evansville and Cairo, Ill.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER.

Walter Harris, of Atlanta, Vies With Chattanooga and Nashville in the Entertainment of J. D. Howard, The Freeman's Advertising Manager.

Special to The Freeman.

Atlanta, Ga., March 29.—J. D. Howard, the traveling advertising manager of The Freeman, was elaborately entertained at the beautiful home of Walter Harris last Sunday afternoon. The affair was a most enjoyable one indeed. A coterie of brilliant young men were assembled for the occasion. Music and flowers were in evidence. Mr. Harris had on hand several performers from the local theaters, who contributed much to Mr. Howard's amusement in the way of songs and music. Topics of varied interest were discussed. The business possibilities of the Negro in the South received the lion's share of comment. Mr. Howard was called upon for an expression of his impressions of the South as he had observed it. He paid splendid tribute to the land of Dixie as the logical home for the thrifty, persevering and energetic Negro. He dwelt entertainingly on comparisons of the two sections (North and South) as regards the Negro, and was amusing in his declarations that the Northern Negro could no longer boast of conditions superior or better than that of the Southern colored men, proclaiming that the only discernible difference was that in the South you know what you were going to get and when you were going to get it in the way of discrimination, but in the North it was "handed" out in a cloaked and uncertain manner that kept the black people constantly dodging the foe they knew to be ever nagging at their heels.

Mr. Harris is one of the successful young business men of Atlanta, and is reputed to be worth, approximately, $40,000, all of which he has accumulated by his own energy and hustling. He has the sole responsibility and care of his aged mother, whose declining years are surrounded with every luxury and comfort.

Prominent among those present were Tommy Duke and Bud White, who, during the stay of Mr. Howard, were strong factors in his entertainment.

G. T. HILL, JR.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Charles Alexander has issued invitations for a birthday party to be given in honor of her daughter, Miss Mary Lewis, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Asbury, 331 Chestnut street, March 25th ....Mr. Stanten Gray, of Fairmont, W. Va., is employed at the Peabody Hotel ....Mr. John Shorts was in our city Sunday night on business....Mr. Henry Jones, of Grafton, W. Va., has issued invitations to his many friends in Morgantown, W. Va., to the annual ball, which was held at Grafton, W. Va., March 28. Henry never forgets his Morgantown friends....The Dunbar Literary Society at Sabraton, W. Va., was opened on Monday night, March 20. It has been closed on account of the revival services at the Baptist Church, which were held by the pastor, Rev. A. J. Payne. The meeting closed on Friday evening, March 18.... Rev. Keeney, of Clarksburg, W. Va., was in our city a few days ago and helped Rev. Payne with his revival. He returned to his home Saturday evening....Miss Louesa Jenkins, who has been making her home with her brother-in-law on the West Side, has moved her residence to that of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thomas, on Chestnut street....The Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 20, A. F. and A. M., held their annual banquet at the Crystal Palace Hall March 31. They had a swell affair ....Rev. S. A. Lewis, who has been holding revival services at Jones Chapel M. E. Church for three weeks, closed Friday evening, March 18. He left our city for Pittsburg, Pa., where he is attending the Annual M. E. Conference....Rev. Moses Opper, who has been the minister of the Morgantown and Kingwood M. E. Churches, is attending the conference at Pittsburg....The ladies of Jones Chapel M. E. Church had a social given in honor of Rev. S. A. Lewis. Mrs. J. W. Bruce was chairman of the committee....Miss Bessie Fisher and her brother, LeRoy Fisher, of Cumberland, Md., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Brown, on Monongaheia ave....Miss Bessie Fisher is employed as a domestic servant girl at Mr. and Mrs. Demains, South High street, and Mr. LeRoy Fisher has a position in the tin mill....Mrs. Harriet Parker and Miss Celia Parker were Sunday guests at Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thomas on Monongahela avenue....Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thomas will move from our city and will make their episcopal residence at Hopedale, Ohio, in April....Mr. Robert Suttles has bought the interest of Mr. J. H. Hunt and C. W. Thomas in the restaurant on Walnut street, and has full charge. He is the pioneer proprietor, and it is called The Suttles Restaurant.

MITCHELL, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Paul Henson has returned from Bloomington, where he has been attending the University....Mr. William Gady and Mrs. Rose Vontree were quietly married Saturday at Bedford. They are now at home to their friends in West Mitchell ....Mr. and Mrs. Omar Tilferd and two children spent Sunday in Louisville, also Mr. John W. Hughes....Mrs. Nanie Yancy and little cousin, Roya Lee, spent Easter sunday in Bloomington....Mrs. Anna May Thomas Knight is slowly improving....Mr. Horace Roberison and wife have moved to their farm....Mr. Chas. Goods and family have moved into the Roberison property....The measles have been quite prevalent in the school, but Prof. Knight has managed to hold his own....The program Easter Sunday night was under the management of Mrs. Mary F. Thompson, and was all that could be hoped for. The house was filled to the doors. Everybody was highly pleased. The following persons took part: Mrs. Goods, Miss Mitchel, Mr. Edmons, Mr. Henson. Master Slyd Hughes sang a solo and proved himself to be above the ordinary. The choir was at its best in rendering the music. They were asked to render the program over Tuesday evening.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

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The five weeks' revival meetings which were held at the Second Baptist Church were carried on with great success. There have been seventeen new members added to the church, six from Christian experience and eleven by baptism. Rev. V. S. Cooper will baptise Sunday, April 3, at the Second Baptist Church at 7 o'clock in the evening....Rev. W. Gray, D. D., who assisted Rev. Cooper in the meeting, has returned to his home in Chicago.... The Church Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Flemmings Friday afternoon at 2:30....Master Perry Henderson, who has been on the sick list, is improving....The C. C. Club met at the home of Mrs. Lula Ferguson last Wednesday afternoon....Mrs. W. M. Tucker has been confined to her home with the grip.... Easter services were held at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday, with great success....Mr. Ray Williams is stopping off in this city a couple of weeks....Mrs. Ella Evans was called to Ann Arbor last Sunday on account of the illness of her father....Mr. G. B. Williams left for Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday evening, where he will visit his father, Mr. Chas. Williams....The Piano Fund Society of the Second Baptist Church will give a piano recital at the church. All invited to attend....The members of the Second Baptist Church presented Rev. Wm. Gray, D. D., with $37.35 for assisting Rev. Cooper in the revival services.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

On Wednesday afternoon, March 23, a joint meeting was held at Bethel Church. The Ladies' Club discussed politics, and among the speakers of the hour was Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett, who gave, as is usually her custom, a very interesting address. The meeting was held for the purpose of instructing and informing our people how to and for whom to cast their votes in the election of alderman for the Second Ward. It was unanimously shown that every race loving man or woman was in favor of Mr. Edw. Wright, who is nominated for alderman. Mrs. Barnett advised the audience to do everything in their power to help our race....Owing to the fact that Bishop G. L. Blackwell could not remain until Sunday (Easter) with the congregation of Zion A. M. E. Church, he preached an able sermon on Wednesday evening on "Every Man Stood in His Own Place." Following his discourse one gleaned many, many encouraging, uplifting and helpful thoughts therefrom. Both the revival and regular church choirs were in attendance and rendered very appropriate music for the occasion. The regular choir was robed in white, which gave a very pleasing effect....The reception tendered Bishop G. L. Blackwell on Thursday evening at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Colbert was a very unique affair as well as a grand success. Music and short addresses served to enliven all participants. The table was bountifully spread, and, as it were, groaned beneath the load. Among those who were present were: Rev. G. B. Shaw, Rev. W. H. Robinson, the evangelist, and his daughter, Rev. Banks and others. The stewards and stewarddesses of Board No. 1 were highly pleased at the grand success, as it had been the heighth of their ambition....Mrs. M. F. Jones entertained the guest of her daughter, Miss O. C. Hudson, the Misses C. Taylor, and A. Hawkins at dinner Easter Sunday. All spent a very pleasant afternoon and later attended the literary of Bethesda Baptist Church, where they witnessed the rendition of a lovely program ....Easter, as usual, was joyfully observed throughout Christendom. The weather was favorable and every one seemed to awaken with spring. The streets were thronged with people going to and from church, which converted the thoroughfares that were, about two months ago bleak and barren, into a veritable flower garden....The Grand Order of Masons assembled Sunday and heard their annual sermon so ably delivered by Rev. D. P. Roberts, of Bethel Church. The services were largely attended. The church was beautifully decorated and the audience as well as the Order of Masons were captivated over the noble sermon delivered to them. On their return to the Masonic Hall throngs of persons followed as the band was playing so sweetly... The Bethesda Baptist Literary rendered a lovely program yesterday and the meeting waxed warm toward the latter part of the program. One of the most interesting features discussed was, What should be the most vital question of the American Negro Upon this many interesting thoughts were brought out....The evening service at the Zion A. M. E. Church was very interesting. The choir was beautifully robed, and, together with the singing of the birds, caused one's mind to think of things celestial. The Sunday School children rendered a very appropriate program, after which the reception of members was observed....The funeral services of Mr. Wm. Green, who was burned in the fire of L. Fish & Co., furniture dealers at 19th and Wabash avenue, Friday, aMrch 25, were held on Sunday. He leaves a wife and daughter. He was a member of the K. P. Lodge and was tendered the duties and rights of the society....Mrs. Davis and Miss H. Georgianna Whyte visited the clubs of the North Side last Sunday and were very much pleased with them. Among the clubs visited was the auxiliary of the St. Stephens Church, and both of the ladies gave very interesting talks.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Guy Washington was given a post card sower recently in honor of her birthday at the home of Mrs. Fanny Gates. She received many beautiful cards....A very pleasant surprise party was given recently in honor of the 29th birthday of Mrs. Ollie Brown at her home, 523 Hooker street. About sixteen were present and enjoyed themselves nicely. Excellent refreshments were served. Mrs. Brown was remembered with a beautiful centerpiece and a beautiful plate rack. Mr. Robert Wright presented the presents. Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Brown responded....The shed of Mr. Benjamin Allen was destroyed by fire recently....Mr. Charley Tinsley is still very ill; also Mrs. Mary Thomas....There were excellent Easter programs at the Second Baptist Church and Mt. Emer Baptist Church, and also at the Bethel A. M. E. Church. All churches were largely attended.... Mrs. Austin Carter was a St. Louis visitor recently....Mr. Richard Washington and Miss Martha Burns were Chicago visitors recently....Mrs. Pauline Moore, who has been very ill, continues to improve slowly....An excellent program was rendered Easter Sunday morning at the Second Christian Church by Miss Margaret De Witt. It consisted of vocal solos, songs, recitations and readings....An excellent program was rendered at the A. M. E. Church by Miss Eva Triplett Sunday afternoon, consisting of songs, vocal solos and recitations....The Junior League of the Second Christian Church held a very successful Easter social at the church and realized a neat sum.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY EXECUTOR.

The undersigned, executor of the last will of Adam Griffin, deceased, hereby gives notice that by virtue of an order of the Hancock Circuit Court of Indiana, he will, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., on the 4th day of May, 1910, at 716 Blake street, in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, offer for sale at public sale, free of liens thereon, all the interest of said decedent in and to the following described real estate, situate in the city of Indianapolis, in Marion county, Indiana, to wit: Ninety feet off of the east end of lot seven, in John S. Spann's subdivision of lots two, three and four, in block eight, in Isaac Harris' subdivision of outlot one hundred and fifty-seven, in the city of Indianapolis, said premises being known as 716 Blake street, in said city, and said sale to be held upon the premises.

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